

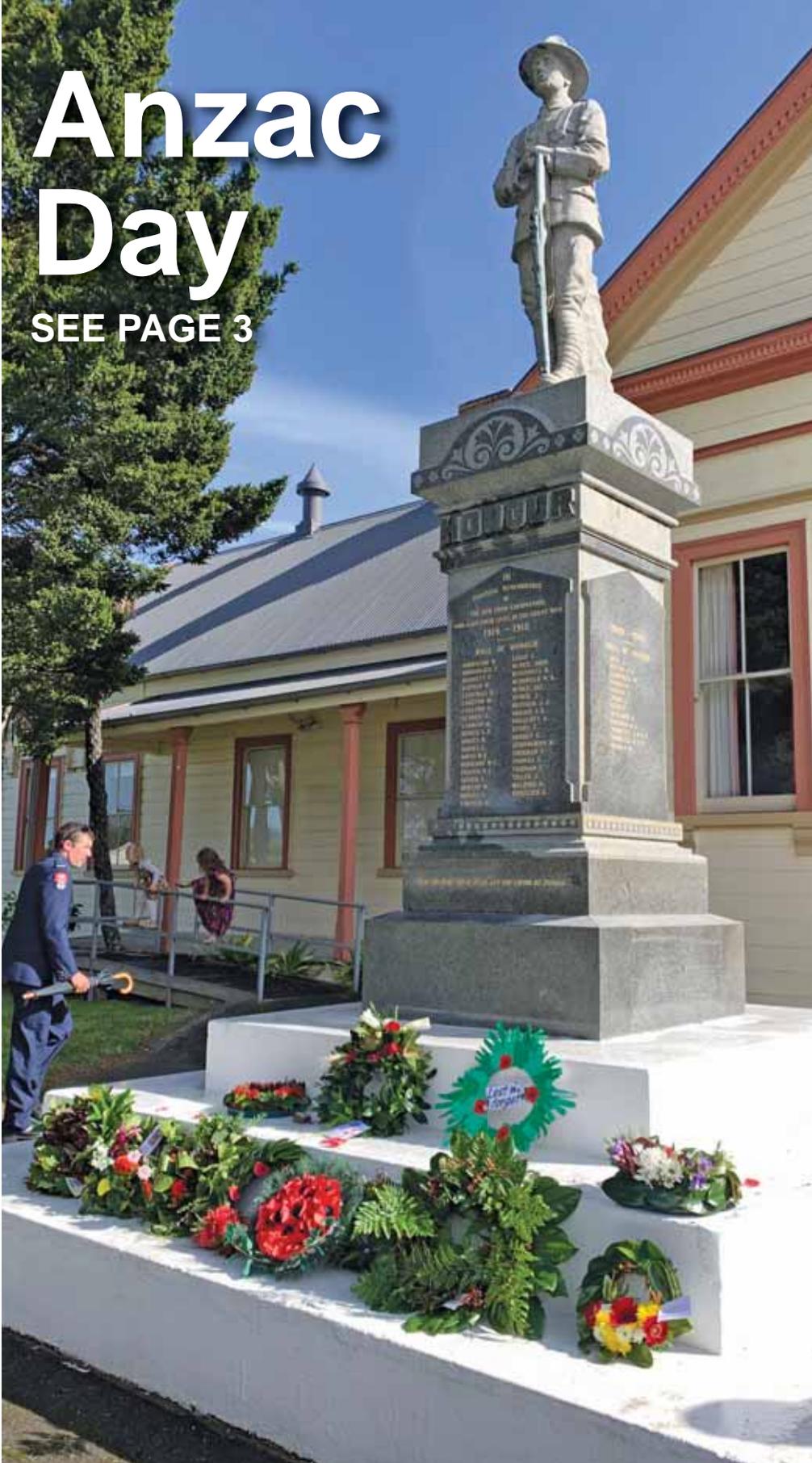
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Editor's comment

Happy winter! I've moved the deadlines slightly – you now have till Tuesday at 4pm each month to get your article to me. The plan is that going forward the Chronicles will be delivered around town the weekend closest to the start of the month, and Rural Delivery will go out on the Monday and Tuesday after. Please refer to deadline page at www.coromandeltownchronicle.co.nz/html/deadlines.html. Have a good month!

Debbie

Letters

Great time in Coromandel

Kia Ora,

I have recently returned home from a week-long Easter holiday in the Coromandel Peninsula. I spent five nights staying with my Oma and Opa in Wyuna bay. I was lucky enough to do the Kauri Block walk, the Tucks Bay kauri loop and being able to climb Castle Rock with my family. After saying goodbye to Oma and Opa, my mum, dad, sister and I went back down the winding Thames Coast road to the Pinnacles Hut! The rain and the wind didn't stop us as my family and I fiercely climbed our way up a very steep and muddy track for around three hours (6km). Once we got to the hut we had a lazy afternoon. In the morning, once the rain stopped, we took the climb up to the top of the Pinnacles and back down to the carpark. The final stretch to the summit is very steep and challenging in wet weather, but it's worth it!

When we got back to the car I was relieved I finally got to read the April issue of the Coromandel Town Chronicle and guess what, I read it all the way home and I didn't get bored. There are some great and inspiring articles in the Chronicle.

I'd like to say thank you to everyone in Coromandel but especially my Oma and Opa, James, the new Pinnacles hut warden (who is doing an incredible job!), everyone who contributed to the Coromandel Town Chronicle, not just in the April issue but every issue before, and my mum and dad for taking me on this amazing experience. Coromandel rocks! I'm looking forward to visiting Coromandel Town and the Coromandel Peninsula again. From Sarka Langton, age 11

Thanks to Pat for sharing her memories

Dear Editor,

It was with great disappointment that I read in the May issue of the Chronicle that I will not have the pleasure of reading Pat Williams write-ups for the RSA anymore.

I lived in London through the war and years later met my husband, who was in the navy. I also have two sons and a granddaughter in the navy, so Pat's musings were always very relevant. Always something of the past, something of home life at that time, and always some humour.

Thank you Pat for all of the memories that you stirred, both good and sad. It is these memories that never fail to remind me how lucky I am now, and the great sacrifices that were made then, all those years ago, to make life the way it is.

Sincerely,

Val Gray, Coromandel

Farewell to Sandra

We are sad to farewell Sandra Wilson from the Coromandel Town Information Centre and wish her every success as she relocates to be closer to her family. Sandra has led the Information Centre for over nine years, earning great respect from everyone she has worked with, including the Centre's staff and volunteers, the business community and the Information Centre's many clients.

Sandra joined the team soon after the Information Centre moved to its current location in the Samuel James Reserve. In addition to growing the Centre's core services, some of her notable achievements include developing the Boom, Bust & Beyond heritage walking tours; introducing the SMS messaging system for local information; leading the development of the new www.coromandeltown.nz website and coordinating a digital marketing campaign to attract Kiwi tourists after the first Covid-19 lockdown. Sandra has also been actively involved in delivering Illume, the Seafood Fest and Christmas in the Park. While playing a vital role in all the Centre has achieved, showing her true leadership skills, Sandra has always acknowledged and supported her colleagues and only ever thought of herself as a member of a team.

Sandra consistently treated everyone she met with kindness, patience and respect. We will greatly miss her passion for the upper Coromandel Peninsula, her integrity, her positive "can-do" attitude, and her sense of humour. Sandra leaves the Information Centre knowing it's in good shape and poised to go forward with the strong foundation she has played a huge part in building.

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Poppy Day Appeal and Anzac Day

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RSA Coromandel
By Kevin Stone, President

The idea of selling artificial poppies to raise funds for veterans' organisations was conceived by a French woman Madame E Guerin in 1920. Col. Alfred Moffatt brought the idea to New Zealand in September 1921 and placed an order with Madame Guerin's French Children's League for 350,000 small and 16,000 large silk poppies, and the rest as they say is history.

Poppy Day is part of Remembrance Day and Armistice Day in England, Australia and other Commonwealth countries on 11 November in honour of all lost in war. The NZRSA decided to hold the ceremony on the Friday before Anzac Day on 25 April as the poppies did not arrive in time for November 1921 to be properly promoted for Armistice Day. The first Poppy Day appeal was a brilliant success in New Zealand, raising the equivalent of \$1.34 million in today's currency.

Present day donations go into a local trust which administers the distribution of funds for the welfare of returned past and present service personnel.

Anzac Day is held throughout New Zealand and Australia to this day to remember the Gallipoli landings in 1915 when over 2700 New Zealanders and Australians lost their lives and is now held in honour of all lost in war.

The Coromandel RSA wish to give a huge thank you for the generous support that the public and businesses gave this year to these two special events in the RSA calendar; to the Coromandel Fishing Club who supplied and assembled the marquee, and to the RSA Women's Section and volunteers who helped regardless of the weather conditions. It was so pleasing to have a large turnout and we really appreciate those organisations who laid wreaths in memory of our fallen. Coromandel residents, you are fabulous and we appreciate all of your support.

RSA Women's Section

By Loes Beaver

Our two days of selling poppies last month were very successful, I would like to thank the eight ladies who assisted at our sales tables on the Friday outside Four Square and Coromandel Pharmacy and again on Saturday morning at the Four Square. People were very friendly and liked to stop for a short conversation, and, as it was school holiday time, there were many young people in town. I was very interested in listening to some of the younger people tell us of the things that they were being taught about what the RSA was all about. Our thanks also go out to all of the local businesses that had our poppy boxes.

Our next meeting will be in June. A date is not yet set but members will be notified of venue and time. We are always looking for new members so if you are interested, let me know

Loes, (07) 866 8053,
President Women's Section of RSA

Bowling Club

By Linda Lindsay

The Coromandel Mussels Bowls 3Five Team had an interesting trip to Wellington for the big competition representing our region. The competition was televised by Sky Sport and it was great to be able to watch our team of Colin, Lindsay and Belinda in



Winners of The Patrons Cup

action. While they didn't progress to the semi-finals they did acquit themselves well.

The final round of the Summer Cup against our old foes Mercury Bay was once again hotly contested

and when all 43 games were totalled up it was 22 -21 games to Mercury Bay. As always the games were played in good spirits with plenty of banter and friendly repartee. We look forward to the Winter Cup to restore our pride.

Congratulations to Colin Gawith on winning the Thames Valley Champ of Champ's Men's Singles at Tui Park; just reward for a busy season's work.

Closing Day dawned with misty rain but bowlers are a hardy lot. After a delayed start the games began, with a team of Reg Wright, Linda Lindsay and Vi King taking the honours. After a hearty shared lunch, badges and cups were awarded for the season's play. Another season done and dusted.

A reminder to all interested parties that the AGM will be held on **Saturday 25 June** at 10am.

While the bowls have finished to let the renovation of the greens begin, the Club is still open for socialising on Friday evenings – we would love to see you there.



Closing day play

Midwinter Christmas Dinner

Book early for the RSA Midwinter Christmas Dinner on **Saturday 9 July** from 6pm.

Entertainment by the White Goat Band. Tickets \$15 per person, meat and potatoes provided, please bring a plate of veges or a dessert.

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Workshops at Te Mana Tangata/ The Work Co-op

We have been pleased to host local artists for regular art workshops at Te Mana Tangata/The Work Co-op. These are funded by Manatu Taonga/Ministry of Culture and Heritage with an aim to reduce barriers to participating in the arts. The workshops have been very popular – participants have learnt screen printing, music recording, ceramics, and now every Tuesday and Wednesday we have Moana Harrison hosting harakeke weaving classes. From 19 May a skilled chef is teaching cooking skills at 10am on Thursday mornings.

These workshops are open to anyone in the community, so we encourage you to come along if you are interested. You can express your interest at the Resource Centre, or simply come down to Te Mana Tangata at 316 Wharf Road and check it out.

Environmental Initiatives

In our Environmental Initiatives programme, our overall mission is to reduce the volume



Harakeke weaving classes

of waste going to landfill. We do this by recovering reusable items from the Refuse Transfer Station and making these resources available to local residents through our sales shops – The Goldmine and The Bizarre. We also accept donations at these sites to defer reusable goods from going to landfill.

Money raised from these sales go into an annual Community Grants Scheme, providing discretionary funds to individuals, groups and organisations for projects and activities that benefit the social, cultural and environmental wellbeing of people in our communities.

We're facing a challenge of donations being left outside these sites without the approval of a staff member. A large amount of these donations are not fit for resale, therefore costing the projects for their disposal. With that being a cost to the project, less money is available to the Community Grants Scheme.

We please ask that your donations are considerate, clean and tidy to ensure the costs of the Environmental Initiatives programmes are as low as possible so the community can benefit the most from the Community Grants Scheme.

We are pleased to be able to provide this funding scheme to local community members. For example, in 2022 a total of \$25,000 was allocated to 14 local community groups. To see successful applicants of our Community Grants Scheme, please visit our website.

Thank you, and as always check our website for more info on our various projects, or visit us at The Resource Centre to chat with the knowledgeable and helpful staff.

Ngā manaakitanga.

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Coromandel Contract Bridge Club

By Judy Bronlund

Unfortunately, the Hauraki Pairs was cancelled. On 16 May we started playing the Manaia Pairs. Yay, finally we are back playing competition bridge. On Queen's Birthday we will have a fun night and then on **Monday 13 June** we will play the Tokatea Pairs. We welcome visitors to our club. New members are also invited to join us. We play each Monday evening in the St John rooms. Contact Jan if you are looking for a partner.

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Coromandel Garden Circle

By Patricia Whimp

May was the month for our Annual General Meeting. 30 members attended, of which one was our speaker for the month.

Our speaker, Lynne Fenwick from the Coromandel Town Information Centre, brought us up to date with what is happening at the centre, what they can offer, calls for volunteers, and an invitation to family visitors to book local activities in and around Coromandel from the centre. Call into the centre for more information on their new SMS messaging system and their new website page.

We have a new committee! Jeni, Irene, and I will be standing down from our current positions. Kath Denize will be our new convenor, and Natalie Blasco is our new secretary. Jeni has a new position on the committee as our competition organiser. The balance of the committee is still working behind the scenes. Thank you ladies!

Each meeting, we have competition categories including Mini, Single, Multi, Arrangement and Special. At the end of the year, totals are added up and our silverware is brought out, cleaned, and inscribed with the



new winners.

We have an extra two cups, one for the Most Points and the other is for “Try Hard Award” – basically the overall runner-up! Thank you, Irene and Rada, who make this happen! Some names keep popping up – come on ladies, let’s see if we can add some new names next year!

Our flower arrangement this month was for Mother’s Day Tribute and our Special was for the Biggest Leaf in the garden. This was won by a surfboard-sized banana leaf.

The organisation of the afternoon tea table by Denise Stone and Joan Hornby was well presented, with lots of interesting items. Susan Yates and Lorraine Lang put together an exceptional selection of raffles. Our sales table ladies, Kath, Thelma Nummy, and Susan Bretherton, had lots of items to sell this month – thank you ladies for your contributions. Our raffles and sales table funds our teas and coffees, vouchers for winners for the competition table, and extras for Midwinter and Xmas luncheons.

We mustn’t forget our treasurer, Pat Donovan, who keeps the books and ensures there are gift vouchers for the winners every month. Or our membership ladies, Cindy Dicks and Marie Mead, who maintain our name tags and membership lists.

We have several Guava Moth Sticks available to the public if you’re interested in protecting feijoas and citrus from the guava moth. They are \$3 per stick; contact Trisha by mobile (027 498 5227) to arrange collection and payment.

Thank you, ladies, for your support to Jeni and me – we couldn’t have completed our jobs without you!

Next meeting is on **Wednesday 8 June** at the Coromandel Combined Club at 1pm. The new committee will prepare the new program next week.

If you are interested in becoming a member or being a speaker for us, please contact Kath Denize, Convenor 022 413 6573 or Natalie Blasco, Secretary (07) 866 7518



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Coromandel Patchwork and Quilters

by Raewyn Penrose

April was a quiet month for our group because the painting of the St John Hall caused us to cancel our meeting. Therefore it was great to get together again at our first May meeting which we held at Hauraki House. Members were delighted to catch up with each other and share the wonderful creations they had been working on.

One such quilt is a friendship quilt made by Ursula Walsh for a very close friend of 45 years who lives in California.

Ursula is going to give it to her during her upcoming trip to the USA. Ursula wants to personally present it to her friend so she can see

her reaction – a very vibrant colourful creation.

Many of the members are working on our group project for the year which is a Strip Quilt. This consists of different strips of pictures such as trees, houses, etc. These are coming along very well and creating a lot of interest amongst the members.

Next month we hold our midwinter Christmas luncheon, and the judging of the President's Challenge, which is always a lot of fun.

We welcome new members and if you would like to just come along and see what we do, we meet at the St John Rooms on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. We look forward to seeing you. Contact President Fiona Neal 027 373 6991 or Secretary Sharon Currie 027 299 6695



Ursula's quilt



Group meeting at Hauraki House

Winter – a cinquain

By John Irvine

Winter finally bares
her arctic dentition
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Grumbling
mumbling
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stoke up the wood burner
switch from white wine
to red



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Library News

By Robynne Jones

Librarian

Thank you to all those who entered our writing competition last month, I hope you enjoyed the experience. A list of the winners has been posted on our Facebook page and is also on the notice board. We had some great stories from the Juniors (3 to 8 years old) and have them displayed on the notice board. Copies of the entries we received for the adult stories and poems are also on display in a folder on the front desk for you to read. I recommend you take some time and pop in to have a browse. Big thanks to our sponsors Richardson’s Real Estate, Coromandel and Carson’s Bookshop, Thames for the prizes. Congratulations to all of our prize winners. Pictured are some of our winners.

Just in time for winter and sitting by the fire or in a warm sunny spot, we have some new book releases. We have new books just in by old favourites like C J Box, David Baldacci, Bernard Cornwell, Joshua Hood, David Winslow, Anne Tyler, Louisa Luna, Dervla McTiernan, Danielle Steel, Beth O’Leary, James Patterson, Victoria Purman, Kate Quinn and a new Robert Ludlum by Joshua Hood. There are also some new authors’ books that may interest you like: **Wake by Shelly Burr**

Burr is a new Australian crime fiction writer who is the winner of the CWA Debut Dagger award with *Wake*, she is also an alumnus of the ACT Writer’s Centre Hardcopy program (2018). When not writing, she works at the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment. If you like reading Jane Harper’s books, you will like this one. It is described as “Compulsively readable, with an unforgettable setting and cast of characters”. Set in the small outback town of Nannine, once thriving but now a drought-ridden skeleton that has one claim to fame: the unsolved disappearance of Evelyn McCreery 19 years ago from a bedroom she shared with her twin sister.



Some of the winners from the Library Writing Competition – from left to right: Elspeth Campbell, Winter Van Kempen-Hill, Tracy Kendall, Struan English and at the front Charlie Bolton-Ward

Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

A funny, witty and uplifting story about an unconventional single mother, Elizabeth Zott. Elizabeth is a brilliant chemist in a man’s world in the 1960’s who finds herself starring in a cooking show, *Supper at Six*. As her following grows, not everyone is happy. As it turns out, she isn’t just teaching women to cook, she is daring them to change the status quo.

Four Treasures of the Sky by Jenny Tinghui Zhang

If you are looking for something new in the historical fiction genre then this one is for you. Zhang is a Chinese-American writer, born in Changchun, China but grew up in Austin, Texas, where she currently lives. *Four Treasures of the Sky* is her debut novel set against the backdrop of the Chinese Exclusion Act, about a Chinese girl fighting to claim her place in the 1880s American West.

If you have ventured onto the TCDC Libraries website and logged in to renew your books you will notice that at present you can only renew your books once online. If you need to renew

for a second time, please bring the book into the library for us to renew at the counter. You also need to come into the library if you would like to reset your password; the online reset is not available to Coromandel members at present.

We also have the updated edition of Tom Elliott’s book *Following a Dream*, now retitled *Travelling Light*. Thank you to Tom for the kind donation.

Thank you to everyone who has donated books to us lately, including some big donations from the Hide-Bayne family, the Fuller family, Jamie Carey and Mrs Carroll. All book donations are much appreciated as we can include them in our collection if we don’t have them, or add them to the book sales.

Writing Competition 2022 Prize Winners

Category	Title of writing	Winner's name
Junior story (3-8 years) First prize	Going to Grandma's	Charlie Bolton-Ward
Junior story (3-8 years) Merit prize	My Favourite Beaches	Struan English
Junior story (9-13 years) First prize	Lockdown Rat Race	Winter Van Kempen-Hill
Junior story (9-13 years) Merit prize	Walnut Cafe	Jack Hide-Bayne
Junior poem (9-13 years) Merit prize	Lush Green Coromandel	Sadie Bleakley
Adult story First prize	Welcome to Aotearoa	Deborah Hide-Bayne
Adult story Merit prize	Crimson Calamity	Tracy Kendall
Adult poem First prize	Lucky	Elsbeth Campbell
Adult poem Merit prize	Pukeko Banana Palms and the Coromandel Harbour in February	Julie Sargisson

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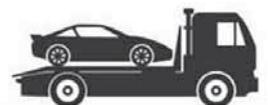
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E-waste

By Denis Tegg, Thames Coromandel representative on Waikato Regional Council

Mine the gold in our electronic waste

Instead of destructive gold mining in pristine native forest Conservation Park areas in the Coromandel, we can mine the gold in our electronic waste.

Mining e-waste is now possible in New Zealand with the powering up of Aotearoa’s first shredding and optical sorting machinery for e-waste at Computer Recycling Ltd in Penrose.

This is a huge development in avoiding electronic waste going to landfill, and being able to locally recycle precious minerals such as gold.

Now, electronic equipment such as laptops, monitors and PCs which cannot be sold or reused can be shredded, and then sorted and graded into their separate materials such as gold, copper, aluminium, plastic, and glass for reuse and reprocessing.

The sorted aluminium pieces can be resmelted locally. Shredded circuit boards which are rich in copper, gold and other precious metals are sold for further processing in Europe to recover these metals.

Another Kiwi startup company, Mint Innovation, has developed a novel biotechnological solution, allowing them to use inexpensive chemicals and naturally sourced microbes to extract and recover precious metals such as gold, palladium, and copper from common forms of electronic waste.

So please do the right thing when your laptop or tablet dies and can’t be repaired – ensure it is recycled and the precious materials it’s made of are recovered and reused. E-waste can be dropped off at Thames-Coromandel recycling centres or another option is to order a courier box from Computer Recycling’s website and send them your e-waste.

It’s great to see funds from the landfill levy being used to transform the way we deal with e-waste in Aotearoa. A \$1.5 million grant from Ministry for the Environment’s Waste Minimisation Fund helped Computer-Recycling purchase the new equipment.

Mahamudra Centre

By Beth Pearsall



We have a new flush of energy at the Centre these past weeks. With the return of volunteers and the arrival of two monks, we are celebrating and grateful for the laughter echoing around the grounds and the wisdom longterm practitioners of the dharma bring.

It’s made me think of the importance of history and lineage. Of how stories and teachings are passed down through the generations. Of how they morph and change to fit our current view of reality and way of understanding things. It can be so easy to pick and choose which teachings we receive, especially with the plethora of information available on the internet. We can tend to choose what feels good, what comes naturally. But are we then missing something that our struggle might teach us?

The power, then, of a lineage of teachings is that we can step into the container created by that lineage and let it carry us. If something difficult comes up, we know it is part of the process, rather than jumping to the next thing because we don’t feel good. The Mahamudra Centre has a lineage of Mahayana Buddhism that stretches back thousands of years. It can be felt here – in the Gompa (meditation hall), in the holy objects, in the land.

We have a wonderful programme of retreats coming up at Mahamudra this year. We are here to support you and you are welcome to visit us anytime to walk around the Stupa and visit our small shop. We have accommodation too, if you desire a tranquil getaway.

Here’s what we have coming up soon:
3-6 June – Qi Gong Retreat for Health, Vitality and Wellbeing

23-26 June – Winter Soul Soothe with Wild Stillness Retreats

5-14 August – Venerable Robina Mahamudra Retreat – how to discover your true nature.

You can find our other upcoming retreats on our website www.mahamudra.org.nz
 We are also opening up the centre for venue hire. If you are interested in this please contact retreat@mahamudra.org.nz

Seasonal Markets

We are so happy to be continuing with our Seasonal Markets!

First date back is **Saturday 25 June** with our Matariki Celebration Market.

Come join us for hot chocolate – bring your re-usable cup! Delicious food, homegrown produce, home baking and delectable hand made chocolates. There will be a beautiful selection of locally handmade arts and crafts; music to delight the senses and get you dancing; and of course the wonderful Children’s Corner, with Matariki-inspired activities and songs.

We so look forward to seeing you there. Starting at midday – come and savour the festive atmosphere, stay awhile, sit and enjoy the music. Watch the market lights sparkle as the sun goes down.

Growers & Artisans Seasonal Markets – Matariki, **Saturday 25 June**, 12-6pm, Hike & Bike Square, Coromandel Town.

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The benefits of magnesium

By Abby Noire

Just a few of the positive results that have been reported from the utilisation of transdermal magnesium chloride:

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- Relieves muscle cramps
- Sprayed into the mouth a number of times per day will invigorate the medulla oblongata, and stimulate enamel on the teeth
- Magnesium oil in a hot bath will impart a very relaxing soak while delivering a vast amount of magnesium to your cells.
- Great for restless leg syndrome
- Assists in the prevention of strokes and aids in recovery
- Improvement in insomnia

- Cardiac health
- Overall energy production (ATP)
- Helps maintain memory function
- Magnesium is crucial for the removal of toxins and heavy metals
- Helps build bones and make protein
- Sprayed on wrinkled skin will, in due course, begin to smooth them out
- Calming effect on the nervous system
- Assists in diabetes by enhancing insulin secretion, facilitating sugar metabolism. Without magnesium, insulin is not able to transfer glucose into cells.
- Restores magnesium levels lost through chemotherapy, and reduces the risk of colon cancer
- Improvement in autistic individuals
- Asthma (both histamine production and bronchial spasms increase with magnesium deficiency)
- Cystitis-Bladder spasms are exacerbated by magnesium deficiency
- Prevents Premenstrual Syndrome and cramping pain during menses

blood vessels that cause pain and numbness of the fingers and extremities

- Magnesium has been utilised in treating central nervous symptoms of vertigo and confusion

- Musculoskeletal conditions such as fibrositis, muscle spasms and pains, eye twitches, muscle pains and fibro-myalgia
- Anxiety and panic attacks are helped by keeping adrenal stress hormones under control
- Increases DHEA levels, which is the bio-marker for ageing. DHEA has been referred to as the "Master Hormone", and when produced at sufficient levels, will induce the production of all of the other hormones whose depletion can be associated with many symptoms of ageing.
- Important in counselling and therapy as the body/mind requires magnesium for the brain synapses adjustments to embody changes in beliefs and thought processes
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Rethink Rubbish Coromandel

By Robin Münch

Visit to Smart Environmental Kopu

In March 2021, a Council audit of our blue rubbish bags found that we are still filling our rubbish bags with tons of items that could be recycled instead of going to landfill.

The Rethink Rubbish Coromandel Town team have organised a visit to the Smart Environmental recycling facilities in Kopu to find out how we can support our community to improve its recycling habits.

Here are just a few of the many questions we'll be asking:

What happens to glass bottles/jars when the lids have not been removed?

Are any metal jar lids recycled or recyclable?

What recyclable items are most frequently sent to landfill instead of being recycled and why?

If you have questions you'd like us to ask about how and what they recycle and you can't find the answers on www.tdcd.govt.nz/Our-Services/Rubbish-and-Recycling/ please post them on our Facebook link before **Monday 6 June** and we'll see if we can get answers.

To organise your own group visit to the recycling centre, contact them on (07) 868 6106.



Everyone knows the best place to go fishing is near a mussel farm

Please follow these guidelines to keep everyone safe

- Keep 30 metres from working mussel barges at all times
- Don't tie-up to a line being worked on
- Never cast your line towards a mussel barge - farmers have been injured from flying hooks and sinkers
- No anchors. Tie-on to a longline buoy or use approved mooring hooks
- Minimise your speed and wake
- Never drive across the lines

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Animal Rescue Thames

By Alice and John Parris

Firstly thank mews to everyone who have donated to the rescue kitties. The food and pet milk have ensured they have satiated their furry appetites. We are truly grateful to the kindness of a couple of awesome people who blessed the unit financially, meaning a month's care costs are covered. Thankfully we currently have no outstanding bills.

Lincoln and Dylan, our older two felines with Little Bit, the black girl, are doing so well albeit peeved that on two days, breakfast was extremely late and brunch at one o'clock was not appropriate nor acceptable. Lincoln chatted away and then "thwack", thumps human slave for being late, not once or twice but repeatedly until he had his meal in front of him. He was told that hello, there were biscuits in a bowl and still plenty there. Sadly, with one human slave already unwell and valiantly trying to get over repeated medical issues, and the other who ended up via ambulance to the Emergency Department in Thames and ended up also unwell, meant that there were two disabled humans trying to keep all animals fed, cleaned and happy. It was an almighty mission, and that particular fortnight was a total nightmare and disaster for humans. Yet despite all, the unit continued to run and all cats were cared and catered for.

Amidst this chaos we had a call regarding kittens at Te Puru, but were in no way, shape or form able to respond or helpful which was extremely frustrating for us. At the time the call came in we had an account almost at point zero and personal health issues. Sadly there was nothing we could do whatsoever and we



could only advise contacting other rescue units in the hope they could help instead.

For rescue we have gone through so much and we are not quitters

ever and yes the unit is still running, and yes still operational though at a much reduced capacity.

We thank everyone who has supported us through this time and we are grateful for that help, and the cats are our priority and will continue to be. They have everything that they need. We even found some new sachets in a box at Countdown called Your Majesty. Seriously? Cat food called Your Majesty – obviously a company with a sense of humour or deep understanding of cats. Our lot love the stuff. They really loved the chicken sachets, so at least royalty is appreciating the new food. The tuna one is chunky and enjoyed as well.

Internet fundraising has been a continuation of slow with spasmodic sales in low values but what we get is accepted as a small step forward.

Kera is a total delight and is becoming a teen brat in a stripey fur coat. She hears us well yet chooses to ignore us, finding mice is much more fun or hassling Lizzy or Wiki, our older felines. Why she remained here with us is beyond us but again one of those rescue felines who grew up here, became "too old", wrong colour, too shy (as she trusts us implicitly).

Wanted – donations of tinned or sachets, salmon or sardines are welcomed.

Meow furr now.

Any enquiries to Animal Rescue Thames, 532 Thames Coast Road, RD5 Thames (07) 868 2907 (afternoons best time)

CILT - Coromandel Budget & Foodbank

Let's talk money.

There are three apps promoted by Moneytalks – all are designed to help you save money so go and check them out: www.gaspy.co.nz, www.grocer.nz, www.kiwiwallet.co.nz.

Top tips for saving at the supermarkets

Have a weekly food plan, breakfast, lunch and tea each week and then purchase as an online shopper.

Incorporate the "use it all" concept into your weekly food plan, so what is leftover from one meal can be incorporated into your next meal. Buy or swap fruit and vegetables that are in season to help keep expenses down.

It is great to have people making use of this free budget service we provide, and working their way towards getting their finances back on track. The old saying, "A problem shared is a problem halved" springs to mind. We want clients to feel comfortable and confident they are making the right choices for themselves, knowing that they have our support to work through any obstacles alongside them.

If you want help with working on a budget, getting debt under control or have any other financial issues, please pop into our office at Tiki House – we're here to help. It is free and totally confidential.

To make an appointment come and see us at our office in Tiki House, located opposite the BP, call us on (07) 866 8538, or email budget@cilt.org.nz.

Office hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 10am-2pm.

If you are on Facebook, please give the Budget Service and Foodbank page a follow.

Foodbank

We are still happily accepting any reusable shopping bags if people have excess. They can be dropped into Tiki House Monday-Thursday and let reception know they are for the Foodbank.

If you are receiving a food parcel via the Foodbank, please remember to bring along your own boxes/bags to take your groceries home.

Time slots in the pantry will need to be booked by contacting Budget Services prior to 2pm Tuesday on 022 018 0849. This is essential so we know numbers and have all of the items we need on site.

You will need to book in with a budgeting mentor if you need assistance over a couple of weeks.

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News from Thames-Coromandel District Council

June, 2022

Proposed Coromandel Town Bypass Road

Our Council is proposing to build a road to circumvent the centre of Coromandel Town and we want to know what you think.

Our feedback period closes on 13 June, so make sure you go to tcdc.govt.nz/coromandeltownbypass or our service centre at 355 Kapanga Road in Coromandel Town for all the details and to make a submission.

Our research shows the need for a route around the town centre to reduce delays and improve resilience and safety, particularly during the peak summer season, and to provide an alternative route



for heavy vehicles that don't need to go through the town centre.

The proposed route crosses Council-owned land between SH25 and Woollams Ave instead of the original design which passed through land in private ownership and across prime developable land.

How should we manage different uses of our harbour facilities?



HAVE YOUR SAY ON OUR DRAFT MARITIME FACILITIES BYLAW - 6 MAY-10 JUNE

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Coromandel
-Colville
Community Board
UPDATE

A word from our Board Chair Peter Pritchard



"Our community consultation on the proposed road to take passing traffic out of the town centre is open now until 13 June. I encourage everyone in the community to look at the plans on our website or at our local office and provide feedback."
peter.pritchard@council.tcdc.govt.nz

Coromandel 200 artwork – At its 10 May meeting, the Board approved committing up to \$7,000 from its Discretionary Fund to provide weatherproofing and solar lighting for the 'ship in a bottle' artwork at Whangarahi Reserve commemorating the 200th anniversary of the arrival of the HMS Coromandel in the area.

The Board's next meeting is on 14 June at 9am at the Board meeting room at 355 Kapanga Rd, Coromandel Town. If you wish to speak to the public forum, contact governance.services@tcdc.govt.nz Recordings of all our Council meetings are posted on tcdc.govt.nz/meetings where you'll also find agendas and minutes.

Kerbside collections

Our Kerbside recycling and rubbish collections will be one day later following the Queen's Birthday public holiday on Monday 6 June.



tcdc.govt.nz/kerbside

Our Refuse Transfer Stations will be open to their Sunday hours for that holiday and on Friday 24 June for the new Matariki public holiday.

tcdc.govt.nz/rts



GET READY FOR OUR LOCAL ELECTIONS

Local elections take place across New Zealand this year with voting closing on Saturday 8 October.

Live here? Make sure you are on the Electoral Roll to vote. Go to vote.nz to enrol or update your details.

Own a property here but don't normally live here? You can still vote here as a Ratepayer Elector but you have to enrol separately from the Electoral Roll. Go to tcdc.govt.nz/election, download the Ratepayer Electoral Enrolment Form and follow the instructions on it.

CANDIDATES WANTED

We encourage people who want to represent all the communities in their area to run for Mayor, Councillor or Community Board Member. Nominations open 15 July.

tcdc.govt.nz/election

SHOUT OUT TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

The Coromandel-Colville Community Board would like to acknowledge the collective energies and mana of the volunteers in our community as part of National Volunteer Week – Te Wiki Tūao ā-Motu (19-25 June).



Te Wiki Tūao ā-Motu
national volunteer week

Thank you volunteers for your amazing generosity and dedication. Our Coromandel-Colville community wouldn't be the same without you.

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Chopper Chat

By Nigel Strongman, Trustee of the CRHT

Hi folks. Another month has evaporated, and just one month to the shortest day! Just 17 missions to the Peninsula by the Auckland Rescue Helicopters. Of these, two were to our side of the hill.

Missions for April

6.4.22 Coromandel – Crew tasked to Coromandel to assist a female patient in her 60's suffering a medical complaint. She was flown to Auckland City Hospital in a critical condition.

21.4.22 Kennedy Bay – Crew tasked to Kennedy Bay to assist at a motor vehicle accident. Crew were stood down enroute and returned to base.

2021 was a record for Auckland with 1,239 missions for the year. Of these, two were to Little Barrier Island, 98 to Great Barrier Island, and 207 to Thames, Coromandel and Hauraki. North Waikato to Greater Auckland North accounted for 673 missions, and to top it off, there were 249 "Out of Zone Missions" – search and rescue, hospital transfers and assisting other trusts. To top that lot off, Waikato Rescue also carried out missions to the Peninsula.

It is said that a good cheese takes time. Or that is what we are led to believe from the TV advert. Well it seems that our new fuel tank unit and our new website are in the same category. I hope I have better news for next month. I am assured that they are getting closer – but so is Xmas!

In the meantime, you can donate to the Coromandel Rescue Helicopter Trust – 03-1578-0116338-001, with your name and "donation" as a reference. All donations gratefully received. Or phone me and I will collect. A receipt will be issued. Please remember donations are tax deductible and a tax donation certificate will be sent if required.

Have a safe and healthy month.

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Coromandel Writers Group

By Megan Mackie

This group had its beginnings as the Peninsula Writers Group 1992-2008. The 30th anniversary this month!

Back in 1992 a group of Matarangi and Kuaotunu residents had decided to form a writers group. Their reasons for joining included the desire to record family stories, the to improve letter writing and editing skills and to generally enjoy the companionship of like-minded people.

A small group met at Te Kouma this month and as the original writers did, enjoyed the companionship and sharing of the written word.

Our homework had been "Purple Rain". A challenge for our creative writing abilities but much satisfaction from the stories presented.

Books recently read and discussed were:

- *Tunnel 29* – Helen Merriman – A true story of escape under the Berlin Wall.
- *Upheaval* – Jared Diamond – An analysis of crises and responses in various countries.
- *Facts and other Lies* – Ed Cooper – Analysing the news of today.
- *The Happy Hooper* – Celio Imiry, an autobiography.
- *Over the Wide and Trackless Sea* – Stories of pioneer women.
- A beautiful little book of art and stories had been given to a member – *House & Contents* by Gregory O'Brien.

We have had two resignations of late so would welcome potential members.

Contact Vivienne on 022 627 4547 for further information

Scott Simpson MP Coromandel



With households across the country tightening their budgets, the Government remains addicted to spending and increasing the financial pressures which are contributing to the cost of living crisis. For too long the Government has been loose with taxpayer dollars and has simply thrown cash at problems without any accountability of what outcomes will be achieved. New Zealanders expect every dollar should be spent as effectively and efficiently as possible. Now is the time to restore financial discipline and get the economy back on track.

While it's unclear if the extra \$562 million dollars the Government is allocating to fight crime will make our communities safer, it's good news that they have finally acknowledged that it has become a major problem. It's become all too familiar to see stores across the Coromandel boarded up after being ram-raided. I've been to some of these businesses after they've been targeted and it's heartbreaking to see their hard work undone by these senseless acts. I share their frustration and more needs to be done to help them feel safe so they can focus on serving their customers.

You may have seen that the Government announced its emissions budgets which outline the amount of carbon that can be emitted up to 2035. As the National Party's spokesperson for Climate Change, I can confirm that we support this goal. Reducing emissions is a huge challenge, but firm targets are an important step toward doing our bit. National is proud of its record on climate change, including signing the Paris Agreement and voting for the Zero Carbon Bill. Now we need to consider the range of ways to reduce emissions and outline a clear path forward so businesses and communities have greater certainty.

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Museum News

By Raewyn McKinney

The AGM of the Coromandel School of Mines & Historical Society Inc will take place on **Sunday 12 June**

at 1pm at Elizabeth Park Village Hall.

If you have any interest in the history of the town of Coromandel and the surrounding district, do come along to the meeting. It is not necessary to join the committee. Perhaps you have a skill that would benefit the museum, or you may be prepared to take on a role as a volunteer next summer, or you may simply want to join the Society. Membership in the Society is currently \$15 per person per year, for which members receive a monthly newsletter plus free entry to the museum. Everyone is welcome to become a member of the Society. Existing members are reminded that their subscriptions are now due for renewal, and can be paid at the AGM, brought to the museum, or posted to the treasurer.

Here are a couple of articles about the planning and construction of the School of Mines building, which is, of course, now the home of the museum.

From the 'Auckland Star' of 2 June 1897:

“Coromandel News (From our own correspondent.)
The new School of Mines building for Coromandel is at last assured beyond any question, for the local Committee recently called for tenders, the following being received: — W. Hunter, £395 10s; J. Stevenson, £279 10s; Limbey and Ferguson, £271 1s; J. C. Fraser, £255. The tenders were duly forwarded to Wellington for consideration, and the Secretary, Mr Thomas, yesterday received information from the Mines Department to the effect that Mr Fraser’s tender had been accepted. Operation in consequence will be commenced forthwith and within the next few months the whole building should



be completed, fitted internally and ready for the resuming of the various classes. A large attendance is assured, and a lively interest has been awakened in the institution, which in common with other similar schools throughout will be productive of beneficial results. Great credit is due to the present Committee, who have so energetically risen to the occasion, and succeeded in raising the money requisite to bring the scheme to a successful issue.”

From the 'Auckland Star' of 28 June 1897:

“Coromandel News

(By Telegraph – own correspondent.) Coromandel, Saturday. Splendid headway is being made with the erection of the new School of Mines building by the contractor, Mr J. Fraser. The entire framework, including outbuildings, is finished and weather-boarded, and men are now busily employed with the internal fittings. The new school will be a credit to the township and will supply a much felt want in the direction of technical mining. It is intended to approach the Mines Department with a view to obtaining the services of a permanent instructor who could divide his time between Kuaotunu and Coromandel.”

The school was duly completed and staffed and seemed to have no shortage of students, all of whom seemed to be successful over the years.

From the 'New Zealand Herald' of 7 June 1900:

“Coromandel School of Mines

(By Telegraph. – own correspondent. Coromandel, Wednesday.)

The director of the Coromandel School of Mines, Mr. P. J. McLeod, B.A., reports that some of the results of the government examinations are to hand, and all of the students of this school have been very successful. Messrs. J. R. Thurlow, D. V. Allen. K. Draffin. have obtained the certificate of battery superintendent, and Mr. J. H. Johnson has successfully passed the examination for first-class mine manager’s certificate.”

The museum will be open from 1-4pm during Queen’s Birthday Weekend and will then close for the winter

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Coromandel Lions

By Mary Farmer, president



Hi everyone.

We have had an up and down time this month.

We had to say farewell to our great friend and member Larry Knudsen. On 30 April Coromandel Town gathered to say goodbye and rest in peace to Larry.

The memorial gathering was so well attended it was standing room only, which for the family was so nice to see.

He was a man of many interests and the family pictures and videos we got to see were very insightful into the great family man he was.

We were treated to tea and coffee and a very tasty array of food thanks to the Knudsen family. Rest in peace, our friend.

We have started to deliver the last of the orders of wood, and have started to deliver bags to Four Square. So if you run short or just want the odd bag for a weekend visit, the staff at Four Square will see you right.

We have had a few members down with Covid over the last few weeks, so I'm hoping you are all getting better and able to enjoy this wonderful sunshine we have been blessed with. Saying that, I had it on good authority frosts have been seen in the low-lying areas in town, so if it's a warm and sunny day, get those rugs or at least newspaper over your windscreen and rear glass.

So, my friends, short and sweet this month, oh but wait – we (the Lions Club)



have an opening for a secretary. The post is to take minutes of our meetings (3rd Wednesday of the month), send and receive emails to and from the Lions HQ.

Laptop and printer will be supplied as will training from Jean.

The post is unpaid, but just right for a community-minded person. If you're interested please contact Jean or myself on the numbers below; you don't have to be a member.

So as the weather cools take care, stay warm and above all healthy.

Till next month.

Coromandel Lions Club: Mary Farmer (President) (07) 866 7321 or 027 699 0446, Rick Ward (Project Manager) (07) 866 8271 or 027 352 8664, Jean Smith (Secretary) (07) 866 6670 or 021 208 7576, Sue Hughes (Firewood orders) 07 211 9774 or 021 142 1124

Grey Power Coromandel Inc

By Patricia Whimp



The Grey Power Coromandel AGM was held on 5 May and we had 18 attend this meeting, including our Life Member.

With the resignations of our president, vice-president and secretary due to illness and a planned move from the area, we have had to open the floor for a new committee. We thank John Rabarts, now past-president, for his dedicated service to our Grey Power group for many years and Shirley Stol, for her commitment to keeping our minutes in order. Bill Chadderton, our past vice president, and Lynne Rose, committee member – we would like to thank them for their time too.

Our new president is John Gaffikin-Cowan, and we thank John for stepping up to this task. Vice president is Patrick Corcoran, membership secretary is Carol Carson, secretary/treasurer is Patricia Whimp, and we have four committee members.

As previously reported, Grey Power Coromandel is for anyone over 50 years of age. One of the advantages is subscribing to our discounted Grey Power Electricity and Broadband. Other perks are Inter-Islander Ferry, Challenge Fuel and a health and accident insurance.

Membership Fee for the 2023 year is \$15 for a single membership and \$28 for two members in the same household. If you would like to join, contact Carol on (07) 866 7172. Bank account details are Kiwibank 38-9023-0537303-00; please put surname as reference. The savings that can be made on your power account alone, is worth joining up.

Grey Power New Zealand Federation is a volunteer organisation which lobbies government for benefits for New Zealanders over 50 (see www.greypower.co.nz). There are approximately 80 groups around the country. Coromandel belongs to the Mid-Northern (Zone 3) sub-group which meets quarterly in Matamata. Grey Power Coromandel also meets quarterly.

The new committee are meeting this week to discuss a programme of meetings and speakers for the coming year.

We will advise of meeting dates here in the Coromandel Town Chronicle.

If you would like to know more, please don't hesitate to contact John on 021 139 0189 (johnaffikincowan@hotmail.com) or Carol (07) 866 7172 (carolcarson@xtra.co.nz)



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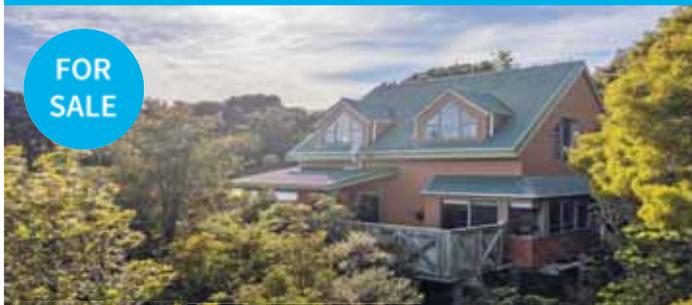


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Mana Update

Written by Jade Ferrière

The mythic life begins with our feet firmly planted on Mother Earth. However, sometimes it is easy to look past this as we seek spiritual evolution. We move towards the path of transcendence, to go beyond the mundane reality of our humanness towards something more enlightened.

There are mixed ideas about whether such a thing as a fully realised or enlightened human is even possible. In some ways, it is just a hustle. We all have work to do. That's why we're here. To get a little closer...

The question we have been pondering is how much of our humanity are we bypassing? How much of our spiritual journey is guided by a deep longing to escape ourselves?

We at Mana have been contemplating a sense of grounded spirituality. A practice where we feel both connected to oneness and deeply connected to our vulnerable humanness. Our gritty emotions; our complex, aging bodies; our limited mindsets.

From sole to soul we are exploring what it is like to embrace our humanity in all its dimensions before we transcend. Our sense is, with our soles firmly planted, our soul has a leg to stand on in its efforts to go higher.

Part of this is re-evaluating our motivations for spiritual practice. In what ways can a deeper level of embodiment help us to close the gap between our discomfiting self-concepts and the truth of our magnificence? Perhaps you will join us in this contemplation as we seek to enrich our daily practice in ways that deepen our human experience as opposed to trying to escape it.

This is one of the gifts we receive from our weekly Open Floor Dance Classes. We simply show up and move with whatever is present: our creative minds, our tender hearts, our joys and excitements, our aches and pains. And in the process we discover more and more ways to express and honour our dynamic Self. There are no moves to learn. No experience is required. The invitation is to come just as you are. Check our schedule online to see dates for upcoming classes. We would love to see you there.

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Awaken Body Bliss

By Linda Cholmondeley Smith

International Day of Yoga is on **Tuesday 21 June**.

This is your invitation to the free, online, seven-day Yoga Challenge.

When was the last time you felt "bliss" in your body? And the time before that? For most of us we cannot even remember!

Either our bodies are tired, aching or, at best, relaxed. When we do experience "bliss" in the body it heals the body; not only the body, it heals the mind as well. You are opening a new dimension in your awareness. In the seven-day Yoga Challenge the different postures and yantras being practised will help you awaken to your body bliss. You should do this yourself, but more importantly step out and share it with others. Let's use our energy to share and dream a more harmonious world for all. A world of Oneness and happiness for all. We live in a world that is interconnected. It is therefore very important that a part of our mind thinks about others. Yes, thinks about our planet and animals. Yes, thinks about our climate and earth. We also need to think about our fellow human beings. This world gives us so much. What can we give back? Sometimes we spend time thinking about plants and animals, and ignore human beings. We need to become something more. We need to become passive activists – what do we mean by this? We cannot limit our kindness to thoughts and speech alone. You meditate for world peace; that is important, it will help. You speak kind words; that is important, it will help. But that alone is not enough; you must step into action. You must do something more. Passive activism is not driven by anger or hate or judgement. It is driven by, "Can I do something to help my fellow human beings, can I do something to make them happier, more fulfilled?" The upcoming Yoga Challenge is one such opportunity for all of us to step out and initiate this change. To step out and heal the bodies of young people. To step out and heal the minds of young people. This is a spectacular module created by Sri Preethaji to awaken to body bliss.

The 2022 Oneness Yoga Challenge, built on chakra power, is offered to unlock your body bliss. Sri Preethaji's creation of this year's Oneness Yoga Challenge is inspired by ancient Himalayan yogis.

The Yoga Challenge can be taken up by everyone: individuals, families, yoga communities, educational institutions, workspaces, organisations, and clubs.

If you would like to participate each day, go to this link: <https://online.ekam.org/oneness-yoga-challenge-2022> where you can register to participate in the daily practice for seven days.

If you would like to join online in a "Coromandel Peninsula" group the zoom ID is 2546522015. We will meet online each day at 7.30pm for 45 minutes beginning **Wednesday 15 June**.

Millions are expected to support International Yoga Day around the world. Let's contribute on the Coromandel and make a commitment to ourselves and our communities to participate in this ancient practise that has so many benefits for practitioners.

Spread calm. Spread joy. Spread yoga on International Yoga Day. Spread oneness.

For further info: message me on Facebook page O&O Academy Ekam the Coromandel (all details will be on this Facebook page for local information)



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Ann's Good News, Naturally

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Paying attention to your primary immune health is crucial.

For the last two years, the media and general attention has only been on secondary immune health. That is, relying only on the advice to have clean hands, keeping distance, wearing a mask and a vaccine. Never has the focus been on potentially how simply amazing the human body is, due to the incredible efficiency of natural immunity, or how to naturally keep your immune system strong.

We do know natural immunity longterm, is far more efficient, and healthy, than a vaccinated immunity. There is scientific evidence to prove this. I've observed this for years – babies, children, adults and elderly clients.

Do you know how your immune system works, really? It is wise to go beyond occasionally wondering how your body works. I can show you at a cellular level, as I have done so for many clients.

To prevent making an ill-informed choice when it comes to decisions you make about your body, or what you decide to put into your body, peel away the layers and listen to your innate knowing, your higher intelligence. Re-educate yourself.

Prevent making decisions due to naivety. Being naive can make you gullible or fearful.

You can have a strong, protective immune system, in fact, any body system, by living preventatively, responsibly and with confidence. Rid yourself of self-doubt and have real peace of mind!

In all my years of clinical experience, the one curious thing I have observed, is how so many people think they are "very healthy" because any previous pain or inflammation is dealt with, but the real cause is not addressed, and is still occurring at a cellular level.

With a healthy digestive tract, mouth to bottom, a lifetime of wise food choices, and prolific numbers of good bacteria for a strong gut microbiome, your immune system will look after you.

My good news is that I have incredibly, successfully treated many infections, 100's of viral infections, for nearly 30 years, without jabs or drugs. As with viral infections, fungal infections take hold in people who have a defective immune system. A defective immune system is primarily caused by cells that are malnourished (from a poor diet) and toxic (from chemicals). Healthy people do not acquire disease.

More good news

- Fungal toes and nails – This 68-year-old man has no more embarrassing feet issues, after years of suffering. He has also lost two stone – his large stomach has gone. Feels years younger.
- Itchy bottom at school, anxiety, tearful, nightmares – 5-year-old boy – After starting school he became very anxious. Concerned parents observed in classroom that he was not his usual happy self. After three weeks on his treatment plan, he bounced back to his chirpy, happy self.
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Hot Spot – News from Coromandel Volunteer Fire Brigade

Callouts for April

- Helicopter landing zone for ambulance
- Tree across SH25 during cyclone
- MVA – truck vs ute
- MVA – car over bank
- Scrub fire Otatautau Bay
- Smoke callout possible house fire

A quiet month but still a wide variety of calls highlighting the diversity in training required by the volunteer team.

Covid is still bugging us, keeping our training to a minimum and the station restricted to watch crews. We have, however, become the lessees of the land known as the Pony Club paddock through negotiation with the owners TCDC. You will see new fencing, a road gate and a general tidy up of the land as a part of the deal. This will give us a training area and off-road parking for future activities.

Winter is coming despite the amazing autumn, time to sort your firewood and make sure your chimney is clean. If you aren't sure or are not able to do the job of cleaning your chimney, I have noted a ute driving around town lately with "chimney clean" advertised on its side, so there are people in town that can help.

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Coromandel Area School

By Jamie Rose Brown

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Kia ora whānau, welcome to Term 2!

Leadership Camp

During the first week of the Term 1 School Holidays, our nine Senior Student Leaders attended the Area Schools Leadership camp in Akaroa Harbour. It was an excellent time away shared with students from other area schools and they experienced a range of outdoor team activities and faced new challenges. Our leaders represented our school and community beautifully and gave their personal best throughout the camp. Thanks again to everyone in our community and beyond who supported us through car washes, raffles, and bake sales to help make this trip happen.

Sports Update By Geoff

Coromandel Area School students are coming to the fore on the Thames Valley (TV) Secondary School sports scene. Softball is a sport new to TV schools and CAS travelled to Waihi for the event. It was a great day as students came to terms with tournament softball.

CAS continued their reign as TV Secondary School champions by winning the annual school bowls tournament. Sixty students from eight schools took part with four Year 9/10 girls playing consistent bowls to bring the trophy home to CAS for another year.

This term is a busy one with 14 students looking for selection in various sports as part of the Central North Island Area School region. Those selected will attend the NZ Area Schools national tournament held in Whangarei in September.

CAS hosts the annual Raglan sports exchange July where Year 7 and 8 and secondary students play four sports in this highly anticipated sporting event on the CAS calendar. CAS is also hosting the first ever TV Secondary Schools disc golf tournament at the end of this term. Frisbee sports are gaining real momentum and all 12 TV Secondary Schools have shown keen interest in entering this event. With the support from the Coromandel Golf Club, this tournament and others (such as the TV Secondary Bowls held at the Coromandel Bowling Club) can be hosted locally and CAS will ensure it becomes a fixed event on the local sport scene.

Matariki

We are starting to prepare for our Matariki celebrations in June. We have students learning about astronomy, planet Earth and beyond, and we have students practicing for our production by learning waiata. This year we have decided to have a breakfast for our celebrations. We can't wait to share this EPIC event with you!



Leadership camp

Relievers

We are updating our current reliever pool and connecting with awesome new relievers in our area. If you are a registered teacher and would like to relieve at our EPIC school, then please drop your CV into the office or email it to office@coroarea.school.nz.

We would love to meet you and have you work with us!

To keep up-to-date with all the latest announcements and notices make sure you like us on Facebook and regularly check our website www.coroarea.school.nz

Coromandel Youth Group at Hauraki House

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Monday – Adventure Time, school years 6-10, 3-5pm.

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 3-5pm for 5yrs and older.

Friday Nights – 1st Friday of the month – 6.30pm-8.30pm for school years 6-10.

Please make a gold coin donation if you can; every dollar helps!

Thank you Leanne and Des at Long Bay Motor Camp for hosting our very first Adventure Time visit. We had a blast on the kayaks!

Thank you wonderful community of Coromandel for supporting our fundraising, our amazing bakers, helpers on the stall and special thanks to Four Square and Star & Garter Hotel. We are very grateful for our community's ongoing support!

For more info please contact us during open hours: phone (07) 866 7061, drop in at Hauraki House or email coromandelyouthgroup@gmail.com.

This programme is made possible with kind donations received and grants from: Lottery Waikato, COGS, Trust Waikato, D V Bryant Trust, Aotearoa Gaming Trust, TCDC Community Grants, Bizarre Community Grants, Thank you! If you would like to donate, please see our [givealittle](https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/coromandel-youth-group) page <https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/coromandel-youth-group> or contact us directly

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By Esther Powell

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As we move into the cooler months our children talk of their winter traditions: Josephine: "eating boiled eggs and soldiers, put on our warm clothes, turn on the heater", Gala: "light our fire, eat warm food", Sylvie "snuggle up together at home".

We welcome Ngaroma, Fraser and Zara, our newest tamariki to join Colville Bay Pre-school. We look forward to getting to know you.

This week Kaiako Maria Dove begins her teaching position with us. She has taught in early childhood, primary, secondary and youth education in the Coromandel, and specialises in music. We feel very privileged to have her joining our team!



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Just three places now available on our Colville Pre-school minivan; contact us if your child is ready to hop onboard!

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We are a small, community-owned, not-for-profit centre. If you would like to

get involved, please come to our AGM on **Wednesday 1 June**. We invite new members of the Committee and Incorporated society.

Colville Bay Pre-school, 2391 Colville Rd, Coromandel 3584. Enrollments and enquiries please contact: seniorteacher@colvillebaypreschool.co.nz, phone 022 645 3272, www.colvillebaypreschool.co.nz

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Pastel Artists Coromandel

By Rosemarie Murphy

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday 11 May. Six members attended the meeting. Saskia Reimersma was re-elected as president and Rosemarie Murphy as secretary. Allan and Loes Beaver are carrying on as treasurers. All of our paid-up members will be on the committee.

Several activities were discussed, the main one being our Annual Labour Weekend Exhibition. Hauraki House has been booked and everyone is working hard to provide some art to show.

Asking other tutors to do workshops, life drawing and plein air painting were other activities that we are looking forward to trying.

By the time you read this we will have moved our club meetings on Wednesday mornings to Rose and John Deane's house where Rose has been busy organising a brand new studio for us to use. We thank the Aero Club for letting us use their clubrooms for many years. It has been much appreciated.

We are in need of more members as several of us have moved away from the district. Our club started as a pastel group but we feel that the time is right to open our club to other media as well as , so if you're looking for a place, come and practice your art with our friendly, sociable group of artists.

Contact Allan Beaver Ph (07) 866 8053 or Saskia Reimersma Ph 027 296 2670

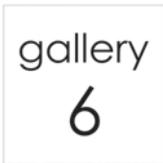


Gallery 6 Update

We are doing something special to celebrate the winter solstice at Gallery 6 on **Tuesday 21 June** at 5pm.

It is thanks to the support of a good landlord, friends, locals and visitors that we are still open albeit for reduced hours over winter. So we wish to celebrate our still "being here" with plans to be back to normal opening hours for summer 2022/2023.

It is inspirational for the group to be part of the town fabric. Come and join us – Diann, Donna, Fran, Jan, Vaughan and Director Ed.



Coromandel Art Group

By Val Gray

Here we are in May (at the time of writing), and it is definitely cooling off. It doesn't seem to have stopped the weeds growing though. There was an artist in Hawkes Bay, Sheila Cunningham, who did articles and drawings for the Forest & Bird magazine of the time.

She realised that no one had ever done studies of weeds, so she set to and did botanical studies of every weed she could find. She was going to get a book published of them. So there is an idea for you now that painting out may not be an option. How about studies of seed pods, or garden tools, or stuff in the garage, etc.? There are some fabulous seed pods, e.g., chestnut, camellia, magnolia, banksia. Set yourself a target; it is a good exercise in drawing and observation. Good fun too.

By the time you read this, we will have had our AGM on 19 May. It was a bit later this year as it has been a bit disorganised with isolations, and people being away. We will publish the office holders next month. It will be good to get back to a routine and the new ideas that come with new committee members.

We have a few vacancies so if you would like to join us, call Lindsay on (07) 866 7799



Pen and wash study "Goodbye to Summer" by Val Gray

Arts on Tour NZ shows coming up!

Sunday 5 June – Pat Goldsack's Swingers Club and Brothel

This show features anecdotes from Pat's chequered past, audience interaction, delivered by comedian Katie Boyle. Lots of fun, delivered with a sharp, grandmotherly wit.

Monday 25 July – Michael Hurst in The Golden Ass

A scary, bawdy, beautiful Roman classic, fused with Michael's own experience as a storyteller. A thoroughly modern take on a story of redemption and the power of love.

Friday 23 September – Across the Great Divide

World music in a true folk roots fusion. Americana meets Celtic Spirit. Traditional, contemporary and original songs.

Tuesday 25 October – The Bicycle and the Butcher's Daughter

A new solo play with Helen Moulder, presents a family, food, and five surprising characters!

Friday 25 November – Grant Haua Awa Blues

Grant Haua, with his deep timbre, soul blues vocals, and acoustic guitar, presents a performance relating to his Māori culture, which is at the heart of his songs.

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Coromandel Players

By Don Hughes

We bring news of our next planned production. The play is being directed by Heather Long, who most theatre goers will know from her top class performances on stage. Here is her outline of the play and what it promises for you.

Watch next month's Chronicle for our update.

Constellations by Nick Payne

The Coromandel Players have an exciting new work in production, Nick Payne's award-winning play Constellations. This spellbinding, romantic journey begins with a simple encounter between a man and a woman. But what happens next defies the boundaries of the world we think we know – delving into the infinite possibilities of their relationship and raising questions about the difference between choice and destiny. This two-hander sees a pair of experienced local actors taking the roles of Roland and Marianne, Angus Long and Jess Ghaemaghamy. The piece follows the two characters through the comedic highs and devastating lows of their relationship, but chronological order as we know it does not exist here. As its Broadway review in the New Yorker says: "Who knew that higher physics could be so sexy, so accessible—and so emotionally devastating?" Directed by Heather Long with David Holt. On stage at Hauraki House in late August.

Update on the production of locally written musical "The Wedding Dress"

By Brooke Dennehy Lakin,
playwright and composer of "The Wedding Dress"

With audition day on Sunday 8 May came a significant setback in the form of a shortage of local actors/actresses to fill the roles to bring this production to the stage. On the day we had six wonderful and talented people audition and I was able to cast them easily into their respective roles as Tailor, Sadie, Eloise, Cassandra, Phillip, and Nona. Unfortunately, being short of people to fill four other key roles has meant the production has been brought to a halt for now. It has given me time however, to work on recording the learning tracks and backing tracks, with Moehau Music in Colville, and to write an additional two songs called "Happily Never After" and "Reflections" to add to the musical.

With an eager, enthusiastic, and very talented cast of six already singing along with great heart to the songs "The Wedding Dress", "A Mysterious History" and "Through That Door", as well as beginning to practise their lines and find resonance with their characters, I have no doubt this production will make its way to the stage in good time. For now, "The Wedding Dress" will remain in storage, so to speak, until we have the numbers to make it happen. In the meantime, if you are interested in joining this group of theatre enthusiasts and being a part of the fun that will ensure in bringing this musical play to the stage, the roles still available are Dorothea, grandmother of the bride, Delila, mother of the bride, Fox, stepfather of the bride, and Lottie, the maid of honour and best friend of the bride. All the best for now.

Contact me for any queries or for a copy of the script to read through to check your interest at BrookeDennehyLakin@outlook.co.nz

Thames Music Group

Concerts at St George's Church for June

On **Sunday 5 June** at 2pm we have Katie Trigg, mezzo soprano accompanied by Francis Cowan on piano.

Mezzo soprano Katie Trigg is well on her way towards becoming an accomplished young opera singer. Katie studied as a Sir Edmund Hillary Scholar at the University of Waikato under the tutelage of Stephanie Acraman. During this time, Katie was involved in concerts, scenes, and showcases put on by the University for the greater Waikato area, as well as outreach concerts to high schools outside of the Waikato region to inspire young musicians to consider pursuing further studies.

Then on **Friday 17 June**, at 12.15pm, there will be a free lunchtime solo concert with Anita Austin on the French horn.

Anita is an Auckland-based freelance French horn performer and brass teacher. She has a Masters in Music Studies (French Horn) from Queensland Conservatorium in Brisbane and a Bachelor of Music (Hons.) majoring in Classical Performance, French Horn from the University of Auckland.

Working as a freelance horn player in both New Zealand and Australia, she has performed with orchestras including Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra, Dunedin Symphony Orchestra, Hawkes Bay Orchestra, Festival Opera Orchestra and Auckland Chamber Orchestra.



Katie Trigg



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Forest & Bird

How to feed native birds in your garden this winter

Native plants and shrubs are the best way to attract native birds to your garden. Try growing species that provide nectar, seeds, and berries year-round, so birds always have food available. When leaves fall off your trees and shrubs, don't pick them up or move them, this mulch layer boosts insect populations which provides a great food source for native insectivorous birds like pīwakawaka.

In winter and early spring when natural food sources are more limited, you can help supplement their food by setting up a bird feeder in your garden. But, before you start feeding native birds, it is important to make sure your backyard is a safe place for them to visit – you don't want them to be caught by animal pests:

- Set traps to control introduced predators like rats and stoats.
- Keep your cat inside, particularly at night.
- Put feeding stations well out of reach of introduced predators (and cats).

Try hammering some nails into a board and securing pieces of excess fruit to the nails up on a feeding table. Half-cut oranges, apples, and pears can attract tauhou (silveryeyes), korimako (bellbird), and tūi, as well as kākā and hihi if they are present.

Sugar water is a great supplementary food for nectar-loving birds like tauhou, tūi, korimako, and kākā. To make sugar solution, dissolve half a cup of sugar in four cups of water. The best sugar to water ratio is 1:8. Anything higher may attract bees and wasps or start to ferment too quickly. You can leave sugar water in a shallow dish or place it in a home-made or store-bought feeder out of reach of predators. Think about a nice safe spot to place your bird feeder, be consistent with keeping the food available, and enjoy attracting native birds to your garden.

Foods to avoid feeding native birds

Please keep in mind that there are some foods you should avoid feeding:

- Seeds and grain – they attract introduced birds that out-compete natives.
- Bread – birds are likely to become malnourished.
- Honey or honey water – never put out honey or honey water for birds. Although birds love it, so do bees, so this practice can spread bee diseases.
- Cooked oats or porridge – these can harden around a bird's beak.



Tauhou enjoying sugar water from a homemade bamboo feeder

Moehau Environment Group (MEG)

By Amy Lendrum



Moehau Environment Group was formed over two decades ago and since the very early days, stoats have been one of the primary predators targeted by our trapping operation due to their relentless drive to hunt and kill and devastating impact on young kiwi.

The MEG stoat trapping operation has gone from strength to strength extending the existing trapping on Moehau down to Kapanga/Coromandel Town and today we have a network of 1350 stoat traps, covering about 15,000 ha. The traps are checked every month by volunteers or paid trappers. The project has been very successful in creating an area of low mustelid numbers, which is key to allowing improved fledgling success for kiwi primarily, however other native birds are also reaping the benefits including kererū, tūi, tauhou, pīwakawaka, tomtit, and the korimako. We are excited to see the growth of many other groups with trapping programmes and locals doing backyard trapping, and overjoyed that the recent kiwi survey by DOC on Moehau shows kiwi are recovering thanks to all of our mahi.

Recently we received a grant to help us scope out and set up areas of ferret trapping after we detected the arrival of the largest and potentially most deadly of all the mustelid species. Ferrets are a particular threat to kiwi in our rohe, however all ground dwelling species are at risk when ferrets are present; even native insects including weta, skinks and geckos aren't safe. Many thanks to the Mazda Foundation for helping us with this important project.

Waikawau Childrens' Forest Planting Day

This month we had the absolute pleasure of returning to the Childrens' Forest at Waikawau Bay for a planting day with all of the students from Colville School. 200 native trees were planted by the very enthusiastic kids with (only a little bit!) of support from parents, teachers and MEG volunteers. MEG and Colville school have been



planting native trees there for almost 20 years and the area has begun its transformation into a regenerating native ngahere. Ka pai to everyone involved! Heartfelt Thanks to Paul Denton

Moehau Environment Group wish to thank Paul Denton in Waikawau for many years of connection and contribution to our conservation mahi. Paul has been one of our trappers, walking stoat lines and checking traps every month for over seven years. As a farmer, Paul let us use the woolshed space (and donated kai) for wetland bird hui, conservation get-togethers, and stacked up the hay bales for our much loved Summer Holiday Programme movie nights. He provided a central bait collection location for all our trappers. Paul has moved on to new things and we wish him all the best and thank him for his community spirit, keenness for climbing hills, cheerfulness, and enthusiasm for conservation in the rohe.

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Driving Creek Conservation Park

By Kate James



Conservation work continues in the 23-ha Conservation Park at Driving Creek and well beyond this area now that we have signed an agreement with the Department of Conservation to also trap some adjoining DOC land. Keeping on top of conservation work, especially pest control, is a never-ending task.

We are very glad to have a new member of our conservation team who is passionate about the environment. Luke McCauley has lived his whole life in the northern Coromandel and was dux of Coromandel Area School in 2021 – what a legend. He grew up on Te Kauae O Maui, a beautiful block of land north of Coromandel, which is a kiwi hot spot and has high biodiversity values. Since he was a child Luke and his brother Mischa enjoyed exploring the environment they live in, finding rare species such as Coromandel striped gecko and Hochstetter’s frogs.

“I work as a conservationist because I have a deep respect for the environment and wish to preserve it.” says Luke.

Luke’s parents are both passionate and active conservationists and have taught him about conservation and pest animal control. Luke has worked as a volunteer helping with projects such as replanting native bush, beach cleanups, whale strandings, and all sorts of other great environmental projects. Thanks Luke!

Luke says, “I enjoy working at Driving Creek because it is a hub for young workers, as well as the fact that the work force is inclusive and well-natured”.

Waiau Hawk and Morepork Sanctuary

By John Veysey

We are constantly aware of the domestic animals, the native birds, the insects, fish and all of the other creatures which suffer from the present poisoning policy. The poisoning of wild pigs is inevitable from all of the poisons being used by the local enviro-groups.

Where I live you can count the number of pigs to the hectare. Before the next issue of the Chronicle the poisoners will have poisoned another 5,000 hectares of our estate. All of that high-class meat not just wasted but now toxic and dangerous to eat. Pigs wander around with varying amounts of poison inside them, amounts that are varyingly harmful when eaten by humans. As our supermarket shelves become emptier and food becomes less affordable, the wild pig source of meat will be highly in demand. What do we say to the poisoners then?

I question whether anyone has a right to poison another’s food.

Rāhui on Moehau – update

By Reihana Robinson

As per my article in last month’s Coromandel Town Chronicle, Māori women leaders and volunteer environmental groups on the northern Coromandel strongly supported the rāhui against poison 1080 and all residual poisons placed by Rongo-Ū and their rangatira, Frances Henare.

On 3 May, DOC finally responded. While claiming that the concerns of Ngāti Rongo-Ū have been considered, DOC is taking the position that trapping is insufficient to protect frogs, kiwi and bat populations on the mountain and for this reason they determined that aerial 1080 poison is necessary and will go ahead.

Frances Henare states definitively, “By choosing to ignore our rāhui they are violating tino rangatiratanga and Te Tiriti.”

DOC claims it consulted Rongo-Ū and that it had undertaken other unspecified and limited consultation. DOC has not consulted with Frances Henare; they merely notified a decision. In so doing DOC has dismissed and disrespected mana whenua concerns around inhumane wild animal control.

DOC claim aerial 1080 poison will help insectivorous bats but there are no Moehau bat studies. DOC claim they are helping kiwi but kiwi increased dramatically* before aerial 1080. DOC claim they are helping frogs but there is no evidence (last published Archey’s frog survey carried out in 1998!). DOC claims significant benefits to unnamed native species but on Moehau have no evidence to support their claims.

**A recent local DOC press release touts kiwi success on Moehau based on Red Admiral Ecology’s “Repeat Kiwi Distribution Survey, Moehau 2000 to 2021”. However, on page 13 the ecologist in charge of surveys, Paddy Stewart, reveals the estimated annual cumulative increase rate until 2009 was twice that of the second period ended in 2021. No 1080 poison was used in the first period.*

Reihana Robinson for Manu Waiata Restoration & Protection Society, Coromandel Landcare Association, Waiau Hawk and Morepork Sanctuary, Coromandel Our Backyard, and the Upper Coromandel Landcare Association



LATE NEWS

Protesters gather in Coromandel Town on the morning of Saturday 21 May, bringing attention to the rāhui that has been placed on Moehau

Department of Conservation (DOC) statement about 1080 drop on Moehau

By Daniel Heinrich, DOC’s Regional Operations Director

We stand by the consultation we undertook with iwi and the community. Opting for a ground-based, trapping-only approach at Moehau will not deliver the results we need to build on several decades of species protection work at this site, and risks undermining and negating conservation gains attained over a long period of time.



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Ride Pump Track

By Ally Davey

The inaugural Coromandel Pump Track Open kicked off with a fun skills workshop on a Saturday in April with over thirty young riders pumping their way around the track, getting tips from Olympian Rebecca Petch and BMX babe Baylee Lutterall. The youngest was Charlie, who was three years young on a kick bike; the furthest participant was Frank from Queenstown. It was an awesome event supported by Velosolutions New Zealand, NZ Sport Waikato and the Tu Manawa Fund, Coromandel Four Square, Andrews Property Services, Trinity Real Estate, Kids Ride Shotgun and our local fairy volunteers, who powered the fun day. Great fun day of learning, and we saw some of the riders give racing a go the next day with huge smiles, #nextgeneration of riders on fire.

Then, on the Sunday, the Coromandel Pump Track Open attracted a strongly contested women's field with some super fast qualifying times. Impressive were young Katja Stupar with a 21.68; and Lily Greenhough with a 21.39 was that enough to push Tokyo Olympian #308 Rebecca Petch in the finals?

The under-14 males had come to race hard; were they going to beat the Banks brothers?



Jan Kocian (Coromandel). Photo courtesy of Nigel Vandy

Bennett Greenough had come to the initial track opening back in 2020. He did an unofficial 19.86 but Sunday's event was windy and had a late race the night before. We were excited to see the big boys being pushed; time to roll! A fantastic day with local Coromandel riders also pushing themselves to the limit on the day.

Results are at www.ridecoromandel.com. Huge thanks to the community support and Destination Coromandel to get the events off the ground. Keith would have been stoked to see so many young riders at the park.



16-and-under girls: 1st Katja Stupar, 2nd Lily Candy, 3rd Nicola Mapu. Then left to right: Indie Paki, Fern Paki, Amelia De Theirry, Beth Walker. Photo courtesy of Nigel Vandy

Coromandel Croquet Club

By Kaye Anderson

Our new mower has finally arrived and we can no longer blame rough lawns for dud shots. In fact, we are all delighted with the effect of the new mower and can now play with more certainty and accuracy.

We continue to play through the winter months so if you're interested in trying out the game of croquet, call Kaye on (07) 866 8968 for more information. We meet on Tuesdays and Fridays at 9.15am for a 9.30am start and provide all of the equipment, plus tuition and a six-week period of coaching before you decide to join. The club is situated in Woollams Ave next to the Bowling Club.



Social Badminton

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Olympian Rebecca Petch. Photo courtesy of Nigel Vandy

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Coromandel Golf Club

Ladies do us proud once again!

It has been a very busy and successful month for the Coromandel golf ladies, with some amazing results against strong competition from clubs throughout the Bay of Plenty. The scale of this success cannot be understated coming from such a small club as ours.

On 2 May, our team of Janine Kerr, Glenise Robertson, Jenny Gilmore and Peg McLean won the Bay of Plenty Golf section of the National Club Teams competition, at Hauraki golf course. This was a combined pairs 4 ball, best ball format. Our pairings were placed 1st and 12th from 22 pairs, resulting in an overall 1st place. This result now goes forward to the National competition. Watch this space!

On 9 May, at Springfield golf course in Rotorua, our ladies' team was placed second to first-place winners, Kauwerau, in the BOP District Association Pennant final. This was an extremely creditable result from our team of 6 – Jenny Gilmore, Eugene Weiner, Glenise Robertson, Greta James, Lynne Fenwick, Peg McLean – having previously won the Zone competition.

The trip was made even more special by having Malcolm James as our driver and number one supporter and Gina Carr as our caddy.



Glenise Robertson had the best team score of 71 net.

Ladies' golf continues at the Club on Tuesdays at 9.30am. All welcome.

The men have been hotly contesting the prestigious Beaver Cup, one of the toughest tournaments of the year. The cup is a challenging five-round, handicap, match play, knockout competition. There were some really hard-fought matches, especially the semis and final, that all went to 19 holes. After being all square after 18 holes, the final was eventually won (for the 3rd time in 4 years!) with a par on the 19th by Ezy Kemp over Kevin O'Keefe. When asked how he felt about the win, he quipped "to misquote the inimitable wordsmith Meatloaf "now can't be sad, 3 out of 4 ain't bad!" Congratulations Ezy.

Brenda Ormsby, our friendly golf pro, gave golf lessons on Tuesday 17 May. The time she gives to our club is very much appreciated and has been a tremendous help.

Not only is the golf going from strength to strength, but the club and grounds continue to be improved. Plans are in place to have the car park resealed and to build new cart sheds to accommodate the ever growing number of carts. Does this reflect the ever aging membership or are members taking the easy option? Youngsters – where are you? The first part of the car park reseat will be completed mid-June with the entrance area being laid in concrete.

Finally, welcome to our new members Tom and Victoria Elworthy and Vico and Juan Giovanni. We wish you well and hope you have many enjoyable rounds on our wonderful course.



Beaver Cup



BOP Pennants team

Coromandel Recreational Fishing Club

The club "fish of the month" competition for the \$100 prize for current members was gurnard for April and was won by Carol Leeney; congratulations Carol. Also congrats to Kim, Gail and Spike for taking out the \$50 local voucher for our Facebook photo comp.

We have a three-species, two-day (plus other fish prizes) competition coming up this month, so keep your eyes peeled for details around town and on our Facebook page.

See you all out there!

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<p>6</p> <p>Queen's Birthday Public Holiday Get your recycling questions to RRCT by now (see pg 11)</p> <p>High tide 11.43am (2.4m) Low tide 5.33am (0.8m), 5.41pm (0.7m)</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Quiz night at The Club - bar open at 6pm, quiz 7-9pm</p> <p>High tide 12.05am (2.6m), 12.28pm (2.4m) Low tide 6.20am (0.8m), 6.30pm (0.8m)</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Coville Bay Pre-School AGM (see pg 21)</p> <p>High tide 8.18am (2.6m), 8.40pm (2.7m) Low tide 2.02am (0.7m), 2.19pm (0.5m)</p>	<p>9</p> <p>High tide 1.43am (2.6m), 2.13pm (2.4m) Low tide 8am (0.8m), 8.22pm (0.8m)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Final day for harbour submissions (see ad pg 13)</p> <p>High tide 2.35am (2.6m), 3.11pm (2.5m) Low tide 8.54am (0.7m), 9.20pm (0.7m)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Deadline to book stall for the Matariki Celebration Market 12-6pm (see pg 10)</p> <p>High tide 3.28am (2.7m), 4.10pm (2.6m) Low tide 9.48am (0.6m), 10.17pm (0.6m)</p>	<p>12 Coromandel School of Mines & Historical Society Inc AGM at 1pm, Elizabeth Park Village Hall (see pg 15) Marry Me Coromandel wedding expo 10am-2pm at the Thames Civic Centre www.marrymecoromandel.co.nz High tide 4.23am (2.7m), 5.08pm (2.7m) Low tide 10.43am (0.5m), 11.11pm (0.5m)</p>
<p>13</p> <p>Bridge Club competition (see pg 4) Final day for bypass road feedback (see ad pg 13)</p> <p>High tide 5.19am (2.8m), 6.03pm (2.9m) Low tide 11.38am (0.4m)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>DEADLINE: Coromandel Town Chronicle July issue Coromandel-Coville Community Board meeting (see ad pg 13)</p> <p>High tide 6.15am (2.9m), 6.57pm (3.0m) Low tide 12.05am (0.4m), 12.32pm (0.2m)</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Oneness Yoga Challenge Coromandel Peninsula group (see pg 18)</p> <p>High tide 7.12am (2.9m), 7.49pm (3.1m) Low tide 12.58am (0.3m), 1.25pm (0.2m)</p>	<p>16</p> <p>High tide 8.08am (3.0m), 8.42pm (3.2m) Low tide 1.52am (0.3m), 2.17pm (0.1m)</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Thames Music Group - free lunchtime solo concert with Anita Austin on the French horn (see pg 23)</p> <p>High tide 9.03am (3.0m), 9.35pm (3.2m) Low tide 2.47am (0.3m), 3.10pm (0.1m)</p>	<p>18</p> <p>High tide 9.58am (3.0m), 10.29pm (3.1m) Low tide 3.43am (0.3m), 4.02pm (0.2m)</p>	<p>19</p> <p>National Volunteer Week begins (see ad pg 13)</p> <p>High tide 10.53am (2.9m), 11.24pm (3.0m) Low tide 4.39am (0.3m), 4.56pm (0.3m)</p>
<p>20</p> <p>High tide 11.47am (2.8m) Low tide 5.36am (0.4m), 5.52pm (0.4m)</p>	<p>21</p> <p>International Day of Yoga Quiz night at The Club - bar open at 6pm, quiz 7-9pm Winter solstice celebration at Gallery 6 (see pg 22)</p> <p>High tide 12.20am (2.9m), 12.43pm (2.7m) Low tide 6.32am (0.5m), 6.51pm (0.6m)</p>	<p>22</p> <p>High tide 1.15am (2.8m), 1.40pm (2.6m) Low tide 7.29am (0.5m), 7.53pm (0.7m)</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Winter Soul Soothe with Wild Stillness Retreats starts at Mahamudra (see pg 10)</p> <p>High tide 2.11am (2.7m), 2.39pm (2.6m) Low tide 8.24am (0.6m), 8.53pm (0.7m)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Matariki Public Holiday</p> <p>High tide 3.05am (2.7m), 3.37pm (2.5m) Low tide 9.18am (0.6m), 9.50pm (0.8m)</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Matariki Celebration Market 12-6pm (see pg 10) Bowling Club AGM (see pg 3)</p> <p>High tide 3.57am (2.6m), 4.33pm (2.5m) Low tide 10.11am (0.6m), 10.42pm (0.8m)</p>	<p>26</p> <p>High tide 4.48am (2.7m), 5.24pm (2.6m) Low tide 11.01am (0.6m), 11.30pm (0.8m)</p>
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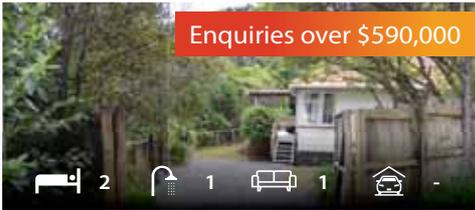
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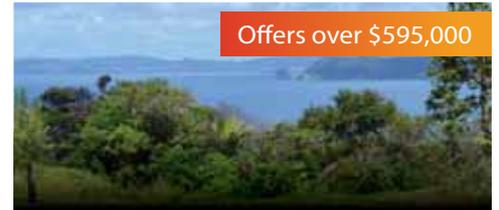
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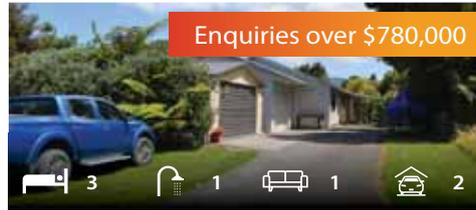
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