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Cover photo: Ryan and Daena Debenham playing in puddles. Photo taken by their mother Lorraine Chick

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**Editor's comment**

Haere mai. I hope you are all well and safe following Cyclone Gabrielle. I spoke too soon for last month's cover "Calm after the storm" as it wasn't over yet. Is it even over now, we have to ask ourselves?

I'm usually overflowing with articles for the Chronicle, but with Covid and now the bad weather it seems that there is less going on, with fewer events being organised. However, I know stuff is still happening, and I want to know about it – so I can let the community know!

The Chronicle welcomes articles and letters from across the community – focusing on the area the Chronicle is delivered of Thames Coast to the far north. Tell me about your event or what the group you are part of has been up to – you don't have to be a wiz at writing – everything is proof read. Please visit www.coromandeltownchronicle.co.nz/html/guidelines.html for help on how to write an article. Next deadline and my email address are always printed in a black box to the left of this page. Supply something every month or just occasionally. I look forward to hearing from some new people!

*Debbie*



Slip between Amodeo Bay and Waitete Bay, as at 15 February – photo courtesy of Emma King

**Cyclone hits  
Coromandel  
Peninsula**

As the Chronicle March issue is being put together the majority of major roads are closed on the peninsula after Cyclone Gabrielle hit. We are now in recovery mode and waiting for routes to re-open. Look after your neighbours. Thanks to all of the hardworking road crews clearing the slips.

Thanks also to those who sent these pictures to the Chronicle. Keep them coming!



Slip near Sugar Loaf, Te Kouma, as at 14 February – photo courtesy of Debra Attwood



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Food, as a fundraiser for a local children’s project, will be on sale throughout the night.

Genre Fluid are a very exciting act.

This will be another LAE (low alcohol event) – no boxes or bottles of spirits allowed in hall.

An all ages gig.

### Coromandel Town Information Centre

By Lynne Fenwick

#### Information can sometimes be difficult to deliver

For Carolyn, Sue, and myself, we just love sharing our favorite places and stories of Coromandel Town and beyond. Yes, we shudder when visitors advise they are here for just one day and they want to see it all; they get our whirlwind option. If they are here for four days or more, we rub our hands together; they get the Full Monty of ideas and we set the bookings in place for them to make the most of their time here.

Then we have the visitors that arrive here thinking Cathedral Cove and Hot Water Beach are just a few minutes away. Google maps has a lot to answer for. Imagine: Two van loads of visitors, usually in the late afternoon, we have mum and dad, grandma and grandad and five or six children, plus a baby, brother, and sisters-in-law, and we need to find a positive way to say, you have arrived in the wrong place, and you have another two hours’ travel, and the tides are all wrong. This happens often.

The last few weeks have turned our lovely peninsula upside down, but we are a resilient lot and things get done and we are back open for business. Our tourists have responded, and the town has had a couple of busy days. Not a full house yet, but we are all happy to see them back out and about.

It has been difficult to say “our roads are closed or not safe to travel on today, and no, we do not know when they will open again”.

“No, not a great idea to tow your extra-long caravan to the very top of the peninsula today on gravel roads, our rivers flooded and roads impassable.”

“No, the fishing charters are not operating today in this weather.”

“I am unsure when that road will open again. Our council are doing a wonderful job updating us throughout the day. Call in later today or tomorrow and we can update you.”

And like many other businesses in town, we have experienced staff not able to get to work due to the roads becoming unsafe.

On a positive note, the Information Centre team are on the lookout for things for our visitors to do on wet days. If you have any ideas or something visitors may like to see, please call in and tell us about it.



Got any ideas of things for visitors to do on wet days in Coromandel Town and surrounds? Let the Information Centre know



Ryan and Daena Debenham playing in the puddles. Photo courtesy of their mother Lorraine Chick

These puddles are just rainwater on grass. Do not play in flood water as it can be contaminated with fuel, sewage, etc.

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## Grey Power Coromandel Inc

By Patricia Whimp

To all of our members, and future members – hello!

I'm sitting at my breakfast bar looking down the Coromandel Harbour, wishing the rain and wind would stop, and summer start. The committee hope all of our members are staying safe and dry.

Unfortunately, with organising information for our newsletter, and the lateness of the Chronicle going out due to the weather, the "Staying Safe Driver Refresher" course is now postponed. If the weather improves, we will try and organise again. If anyone is interested in this course, please call. We require a minimum of 12 for the course to go ahead.

By the time this copy of the Chronicle comes out, we would have had our meeting on 23 February. Our chosen speaker for the month was not able to be with us as he needed to attend an out-of-town meeting. Hopefully we can pin him for the next meeting, which will be at the AGM in May. We are always looking for speakers at our Grey Power meeting, so if anyone has a subject that would be of interest to the members, please ring John to discuss.

Membership fees are coming in thick and fast; thank you. Carol will be organising membership cards for you all. For those who have not paid, membership for the year April 2023 to March 2024 is \$28 per two members living in same house, and \$15 per single member. Bank account is 38-9023-0537303-00. Carol Carson, our membership secretary, is more than happy to help you. We have had some members who have paid twice for this year, so please check your membership card which year you are paying for.

If you would like to know more, please don't hesitate to contact John on 021 139 0189 (john.affinkincowan@hotmail.com) or Carol 021 081 66129 (carolcarson@xtra.co.nz) or myself 0274 985 229 (patricia@prosystems.co.nz)



## Coromandel Garden Circle

By Natalie Blasco

In February, Garden Circle didn't really have a meeting as such, but some members got together on a really beautiful day for a Fun Day Out at The Waterworks, enjoying the lovely grounds, some yummy food, and challenging ourselves with some of the diabolical creations, such as the amazing maze. A good time was had by all, especially in advance of Cyclone Gabrielle's visit a few days later. Here's hoping no one experienced any serious difficulties from the strong winds, ample rain and power outages.

Did January 2023 seem exceptional to you? Here are my January rainfall numbers for the past several years: 2023 – 1155mm; 2022 – 47mm; 2021 – 37mm; 2020 – 7.5mm; 2019 – 26mm; 2018 – 213.5mm.

Our next meeting will be **Wednesday 8 March**, 1pm, at The Club. We will have the usual competitions, with Arrangement being On a Flat Surface and Special of Vegetable Bounty, plus raffles, sales, etc. We will also do a garden ramble to two members' gardens.

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



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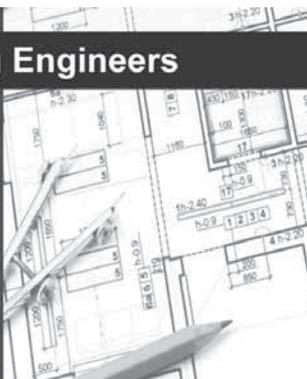
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This home-grown local festival gives you an opportunity to enjoy a relaxed day out listening to great live music while feasting on delicious food, sampling a selection of fine wines and some of the best craft beer in the region. The all-day line-up of musicians is your sound track for fun and a relaxing day with family, catching up with friends and making new ones!

The line-up of musicians this year will bring a large range of exciting genres covering styles such as blues, jazz, funk, Mowtown, disco and old school, to rock and roll and pop, from years gone by to modern. There will be something for everyone. Go to our website to see more on the musicians at the festival this year. There will be activities for the whole family including fun bouncy castles and ride-on activities, face painting, the charity auction and raffles.

If you wish to support the festival charities this year there will be a bucket drop after the auctions but you can also donate online when purchasing tickets. This year's charity groups are Te Rerenga School and Kuaotunu Search & Rescue.

To find out more go to the Festival website to see the music and bands, food and beverages that will be available, event news updates, the Programme, Kids Zone, the Cook Off, location and getting there, history of the festival and how to be a volunteer. Make sure you don't miss out on the best event in Matarangi – buy your tickets online now at [www.atasteofmatarangi.co.nz](http://www.atasteofmatarangi.co.nz).

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## Coromandel Contract Bridge Club

By Judy Bronlund

It is so hard to believe that March is here. The extreme and unsettled weather has had a marked effect on Bridge attendance. On our first night for the year we could only muster one table! We need two tables to run our competitions so I do hope that we achieve this goal. Please let Jan know if you have or want a partner for the competitions. We play Monday evenings at the St John rooms.

Contacts Jan (07) 866 8341 or 027 478 8830 or Judy (07) 866 8637 or 027 516 8306

## Library News

By Paul Lawrence

A heartfelt thank you must go to all those who have shown interest in becoming a library volunteer.

Over the next few weeks, we will have as many as six new faces around the library. There will be some slight delays while we train staff but I am sure that our lovely readers will be a little patient.

We are expecting our next book purchases shortly which, I am sure, are eagerly anticipated.

If you would like a book that we don't have, we may be able to access it from a different library for you, or alternatively, fill out a book purchase request form. With limited space and funds, we are unable to satisfy everyone's needs but we, however, endeavour to do what we can. Any books purchased by request must have appeal to the general readership.

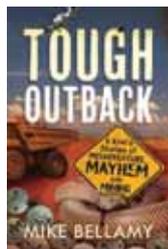
Summer has seen an increase in surplus book purchases. Thank you to all who have donated books they no longer need. This has given us much needed income which helps towards the buying of new books.

As I write this, a new selection of books has arrived. We will shortly be covering them and making them available for issue.

Until then, here are a couple of recommendations from our readers.

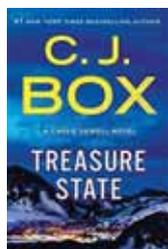
This first book is one that was donated and is a very good read.

### *Tough Outback* by Mike Bellamy



This book tells the true story of Mike leaving for the town of Wiluna in the Western desert. The year is 1989 and Mike is keen to make a buck from Australia's mining boom, walking into a roughshod world where one had to "watch their back, play by the rules, and keep their wits about them".

### *Treasure State* by C. J. Box



The 5th in the series "The Cassie Dewell Novels", which inspired the TV show "Big Sky".

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## POETRY SPOT

### Melancholy

By John Irvine

torrential winter rain  
polishes my melancholy  
I kiss my elderly hound  
hold him  
speak to him without voice  
weep over him  
and hope he understands  
my need to be  
nowhere

### Editors note:

John wrote this poem about winter, but I think it could be applied to this current summer rainy weather.

It's good to have the need to be nowhere when all of the roads are closed!

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One of our strengths is our ability to partner with other organisations when required. At various times we work closely with the local police, council, civil defence and other groups to provide direct assistance to people in need.

On the Monday evening of Cyclone Gabrielle we hosted a BBQ at the Coromandel Area School for people who had no power or gas to cook dinner. Thank you Fee Paine for organising this and also to the Area School for making the hall available. It was challenging to get the word out however as the internet and cell phone coverage was down for much of the peninsula, but for those who came along it was very much appreciated.

During Cyclone Hale our social workers, working with the Foodbank were able to support whanau in Koputauaki, who had been cut off due to the slip, with food parcel delivery. And then again during Cyclone Gabrielle our staff delivered many food parcels to people in the community. This is exactly why the Foodbank exists – to support whanau in need – so if you or someone you know is struggling, then please come and talk to one of our staff about how we can support you.

Treena, who runs the Coromandel Foodbank, has this to say: "It has been a hard few weeks for our small town, first with Cyclone Hale and then Cyclone Gabrielle making her presence well known. I would just like to acknowledge those who worked tirelessly through the week in making sure that our community was looked after. From food parcels, to emergency shelter if needed and not forgetting the shared dinner at the school hall. Thank you to our awesome community, you are greatly appreciated."

Jean Ashby, who works tirelessly to support whanau in need says: "It is absolutely wonderful how the people of Coromandel come together in these really tough times to support each other. We are such a resilient and caring community and it is heartening to see how much people look out for each other."

**Coromandel Hub**

We had hoped to be in the new building by now, but due to the weather we haven't been able to complete the car parking and landscaping. So for now we are just waiting for suitable conditions to get the building finished. In the meantime we've been able to complete the tidy up on the orange cottage – which now houses our vocational services programme: Te Mana Tangata.

The power and internet outages highlighted a need for a central place where reliable power and internet are available, particularly if the frequency and intensity of storms increases due to climate change. Our new Hub could potentially serve this purpose as we have hot showers, laundry facilities, and it is located close to the St John centre and the Fire Station. For this to happen we would need a reliable backup power supply which we are currently looking at fitting into the building.

**Pataka Kai**

We are currently in the process of establishing a Pataka Kai. This will be a food sharing service, for people to either take food that they need or to donate food to others. The Pataka Kai will be located at Te Mana Tangata on Pound Street.

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By Pete Sephton

These are the berries of turutu, often called native blueberry. This grasslike plant is actually a lily with small white flowers and vibrant blue berries and is common in the native bush around Coromandel including the Harray Track, which has some good specimens. The fruit is poisonous to humans but birds can eat them with no ill effects.

### Taichi for health with Christina

Most of my work is helping people with pains and aches. Traditional Chinese medicine considers pain to be related to “stagnation” or “blockages” of the body’s flow of qi, that can be caused by longterm structural or constitutional imbalances. Healing occurs by promoting this flow. Tai chi and qigong exercises are often prescribed as well as other traditional methods like acupuncture and herbal medicine, aiming to remove the stagnation. Some research shows tai chi may positively help musculoskeletal pain conditions by improving strength, flexibility, postural alignment, neuromuscular movement patterns, breathing, and psychological well-being.

Longterm tai chi practice leads to a more efficient posture and better structure which underlies its martial and health applications. From a Western medicine perspective, better posture and biomechanics reduce strain and wear and tear on joints and tissues and also improve physiological processes: improved blood and lymph circulation and reduced levels of stress markers associated with inflammation.

The tai chi classics say: “The spine should be like a necklace of pearls hanging from heaven.” This highlights how tai chi can improve the vertical stance by elongating the spine and neck and reducing wear and tear on discs. The waist and hip, that connect the lower extremities with the trunk and upper extremities, is called the “commander”. Physically and energetically this region is regarded as a central coordinating hub. One important tai chi concept is “sitting into” the hip, which corresponds with the inguinal fold, on either side of the front of the body. Being able to sit into the hip means you have good flexibility and range of motion in the hip and pelvic area where the hip flexors and especially the psoas and the iliacus muscles are located, and symmetry on both sides of the body. A sedentary lifestyle, traumas to the pelvic area, or difference in leg lengths, may lead to imbalanced muscles. Some studies show that imbalances in the psoas and related core muscles may be associated with back, knee, and neck problems which may affect our gait and balance.

Christina’s tai chi weekly class runs on Wednesday at 4pm at Waikato Events Centre (above the swimming pool). We have a bunch of lovely and spirited people. There will be outdoor practice for students on Friday, Saturday or Sunday mornings at Wyuna Bay beach car park – weather permitting

Christina, with over 20 years’ practice and ongoing training from world renowned teacher Wee Kee Jin and with a true passion dedicated to this healing art, combined with her practice and background in Chinese medicine and acupuncture, aims to help people improve their health and wellbeing.

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**New Listing**

Bring the boat and start creating some great fishing stories. This perfectly sized 399m2 property would be ideal as a weekender or starter home. The cottage features 3 bedrooms, open-plan living, bathroom and excellent decking with a great cabana for entertaining. **\$605,000**



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- \* Immaculate 2 brm brick home
- \* Open-plan living, private deck
- \* Landscaped section, vege box
- \* Garage, great garden sheds
- \* Set in Elizabeth Park Village
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- \* Brand new 3 brm brick home
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## Ann's Good News, Naturally

### Intestinal disorders – diverticular disease

Your intestines, in particular the small intestine, are the primary sites of nutrient absorption. Any condition affecting the structure and function of this area may contribute to the development of a malabsorption process, and therefore nutrient deficiency. Specific nutrient deficiencies can lead to further complications, for example loss of bone density (due to lack of calcium), and disturbances in red blood cell formation (due to deficiency of iron, B6, B12 and folate). Secondary effects can be poor concentration, mental disturbances and cardiovascular effects.

These conditions also have a connection with other parts of your body, hence the importance of treating the cause, rather than simply the symptoms of the disease.

For example, although the manifestations of Crohn's disease are in the intestines, a large part of the disease process is due to dysfunction of your immune system. Therefore, treatment should not just focus on settling the presenting pain and inflammation.

Many of the intestinal conditions I see, may be present at one time, or may predispose or contribute to other conditions. Unfortunately, your gut health "domino effect" can easily be a negative one, when a positive healthy domino state is easy to create and maintain.

As a gut health pioneer specialising in all aspects of healing and optimising digestive health from mouth to bottom, correcting cellular structure and function, (including liver, gallbladder, pancreas, also kidneys and spleen), it's rewarding to see such an awareness now on the importance of gut health.

### Diverticular disease

This is very common in developed countries, and involves the herniation of the mucosal layer of your large intestine or colon, through the mucosal wall layer. Although 70-80% of cases are without obvious



symptoms, others experience low abdominal discomfort, changes in bowel habits, bloating and flatulence, and pain, especially in the lower left quadrant.

Diverticular disease develops in between the three layers of muscle of the large bowel. An increase in intraluminal pressure provides the force for the creation of these herniations, or pockets.

Constipation due to insufficient dietary fibre throughout life, and overprocessed foods, causes the muscles of the colon to strain, causing increased pressure in the colon, increasing the risk of herniation and diverticular disease.

### Diverticulitis

Inflammation and infection of the diverticula occurs. It occurs due to the impacted faecal matter stagnating in the diverticular pockets. Opportunistic bacteria thrive in these anaerobic areas, wiping out the good bacteria and upsetting your microbiome balance, which is essential for the healthy functioning of your whole body. Further complications, including peritonitis, abscess formations, rectal bleeding and haemorrhage, and bowel obstruction, are common. The small intestine may also be involved, making absorption of many essential nutrients difficult and triggering other preventable illnesses. Treatment must be personalised for lasting results.

Constipation, obesity, decreased physical activity, decreased colonic motility and poor bowel habits or discipline, are common causes. A Western diet of over processed foods is the primary cause.

### Good news

Stomach pain, constipation, stool urgency/incontinence

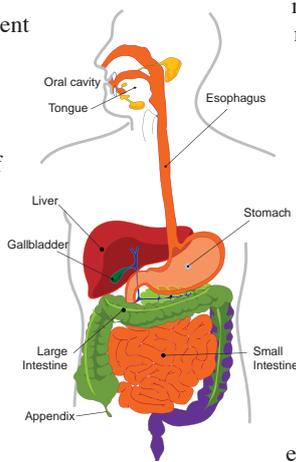
– This 65-year-old lady had congested bowels, failing to eliminate matter fully, fermentation, gas, wind, all causing general unwellness throughout her body. My treatment and wellness plan eventually rid her stale, stored faeces. She attributed my lymphatic drainage and therapeutic massage to releasing toxins and enabling a cellular reset, along with my naturopathic prescription, especially Active Elements Mineral prescription. Her Live

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## Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild

By Win McMinn

A new year for the Guild with lots of exciting workshops planned. We have an outside tutor teaching us Colbert embroidery in March, plus our local tutors teaching an Aztec Needlebook, Hapsburg Lace embroidery, Canvas Work, Mountmellik embroidery and Ukranian Whitework. We are so lucky to have all of these local tutors to inspire us with different types of embroidery.

This year also we are having a three-night retreat in the middle of the year in Auckland. This is always fabulous to go to and either do a workshop or do any of our own embroidery all the while talking flat out. We all have our own rooms but get together for meals. It is such a fun time.

If you are interested in any type of embroidery, please join us at our monthly meeting which is the first Wednesday of the month at the St John rooms. We have heaps of members who can inspire you to do any type of embroidery, including one of my favourites – cross stitch.

The “viewers choice” winners from our pre-Christmas exhibition were: 1st – Marilyn Jessen’s “The Promise of Summer”; 2nd – Lettecia Williams’s “Between Shores”; 3rd – Vi King’s “London Street”.

Please contact the secretary, Win McMinn, coromandelembroidery@gmail.com or phone 020 4047 0759



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## Museum News

By Rawyn McKinney

Well, summer has had a bad start this year. We are hoping March will prove to be more settled and sunnier. Though, it is true that in bad weather a visit to the museum is the ideal activity. Work on the dairy project at the museum continues. Unfortunately, the terrible weather has delayed progress, but work will be completed soon, and we know it will enhance the experience for our visitors.

I must start this month with saying thank you, on behalf of the committee, to people who have helped at the museum recently. Thanks go to Patrick for erecting our new sign on Tiki Road. Thanks also go to Geoff for making the sign, and Karyn for allowing us to hang it on her fence. Visitor numbers have been going well, so maybe everyone has seen the sign!

We also thank Patrick for all of the maintenance he has done, especially for installing our new display boards. Your hard work has certainly improved things at the museum, and we are very grateful to you, Patrick. Thanks also go to Richard for trimming the hedge; this is a big job and we really appreciate it. While thanking volunteers, I must mention the new bookstand Frank



has made. Over the years Frank has carried out lots of tasks, big and small, for the museum and he always does a good job. The book stand is yet another example of his skill, attention to detail and generosity of spirit. Thank you, Frank. We also thank Kelvin, for his kind donation of a book about the Driving Creek Railway and two mugs made by Barry Brickell.

Thanks also to the volunteers who opened the museum all day on Waitangi Day.

Here are some news items from March of other years:

From 'Thames Star' 30 March 1899:

### "Coromandel News.

(By Telegraph—Own Correspondent) Coromandel, 30 March.

The recent gale considerably damaged the smaller craft in the harbour. A number of students of the Coromandel School of Mines have decided to tour the northern goldfields during the holidays. The party leave for Thames on Monday, and will proceed to Te Aroha by Tuesday morning's train, and will visit the various districts of Ohinemuri. On their return expect to spend the Saturday in Thames."

From 'Thames Star' 13 March 1901:

### "Fire in Coromandel.

(By Telegraph – own Correspondent) Coromandel, 12 March.

The fire broke out at an early hour this morning. The following places were destroyed: Rendall, draper; Allen, hairdresser; Hackett, chemist; Roastguard, draper; Massick, jeweller. The stock of the last named was nearly all saved. William's shop on the other side of the road was damaged, but the spread of the fire was then checked."

From 'Thames Star' 22 March 1901:

### "An Illicit Still At Coromandel

Auckland, 21 March

The officers of Auckland Customs discovered an illicit still at Tuteawa, near Coromandel, and arrested three men named Ferguson, McCormick, and McLean. The existence of this still has been suspected for two years, and several unsuccessful searches have previously been made."

From 'Thames Star' 13 March 1902:

### "Fire at Coromandel

(By Telegraph - Own Correspondent) Coromandel, 13 March,

The old hospital building was totally destroyed by fire at one o'clock this morning. It was unoccupied, and the origin is a mystery. It has not been used since the erection of the new hospital, except as an isolated fever ward, and has not been used for the past month."

During March, the museum will be open daily from 1pm to 4pm Monday to Friday, and 10am to 4pm on Thursdays and weekends

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## Coromandel Bowling Club

By Jo Sanderson

You can't avoid the topic of the weather so far in 2023. You see it, feel it, hear it, talk about it, and read about it.

The impact of this last storm is still being realised as I write this, but one thing for sure is the damage and repairs are longterm and will have major implications for us all to adjust to.

We managed to reschedule the Open Optional Triples Tournament sponsored by Twentymans and also the Open Optional Classic Fours sponsored by Tidewater. A huge thanks has to go out to the sponsors of our tournaments. Without them, we wouldn't be able to offer the wide range of tournaments that we currently do.

The Thames Valley Bowls 3/5 played recently was won by Colin, Belinda and Lindsay who now go to Wellington to play the against the rest of NZ! Congratulations you three. Such a superb effort.

We have had the most dreadful luck weatherwise with our Twilight Bowls this year, and the 32 teams entered have only been able to play one night so far as I write this mid-February. The weather looks a bit more settled now so fingers crossed they get some more games in.

Our annual Seafood Tournament is held **Friday 3 to Sunday 5 March**.

This is the biggest event on our bowling calendar and the 32 teams entered come from a wide area, from the Far North down to Hawkes Bay! It is a fabulous weekend and we always have a waiting list of other teams hoping to get a spot.

So much planning and organising and executing goes into this weekend and we really appreciate what everyone does to make it run smoothly each year.

Our Friday afternoons of fun and bowls have started, so if you are curious about bowls, come on down from 3.30pm and have a roll-up. You will be warmly welcomed!

Bowls is for everyone, and as the KFC advert on TV says "X Gon' Give It To Ya" – so give bowls a go and make 2023 the year you joined our bowling club! You won't be disappointed.



## RSA

By Gary Pettett

Let's hope that the 2023 summer has arrived by the time you read this, as we seem to have missed out in January and February this year.

**Friday 17 March** is St. Patrick's day, so everyone is invited to dress up in The Green, come along for a couple of games of bowls in the afternoon and enjoy the shindig afterwards. Guinness and other popular brands of alcoholic (or non-alcoholic) beverages will be available.

**Saturday 18 March** sees the return of the Howick RSA to the Club for a fun evening of laughter and raffles. In February we ran the first Speed Ball competition – two minutes of frantic pool table activity with two-person teams competing for prizes (and surprises). This proved to be very popular so we are running this again, including our visitors – do come along and join in or just observe; all CCC members welcome.

**Saturday 25 March** is a very important date to remember as this is the RSA Annual General Meeting at 3pm. Nominations for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and six committee members are now called for. Voting papers are on the Club noticeboard, and these along with items of General Business must be received by the secretary no later than **Saturday 11 March**.

Just a reminder that the welfare section of the RSA is able to assist any members and their families if they have a particular need that they are unable to cope with themselves. Just contact the President or a committee member; confidential advice and aid is available.

Don't forget that the Club is open for social gatherings on both Friday and Saturday afternoons from 3pm. Just come along, bring family and friends, and enjoy the hospitality of our community club. See you there.



The winners of the Twentymans bowls Tournament played in January were Roger, Reg and Ernie



The winners of the Tidewater Motel & Tourist Park Bowls Tournament were David Weatherley's team



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## Hon Scott Simpson MP For Coromandel

Everyone is feeling the impact from the slips and closures of our roads, especially the collapse of SH25A. I have been and will continue to work with Mayor Len Salt to pressure central government and agencies to get on with the job as quickly as possible and to provide the support we need from them right now.



Like many around the Peninsula, business owners in Coromandel Town are doing it tough after a disrupted summer and two quiet, long weekends. We're not seeing the usual summer tourism numbers, which is a kick in the guts just as our small businesses were getting back on their feet after a few difficult years.

It's fair to say they could all do with some support, so please shop local whenever you can. We also need to let everyone know that the Peninsula is still open for business and welcoming visitors. Now is a great opportunity for people to take other routes around our region and to explore all of the beauty and scenic splendour the Coromandel has to offer.

In other news, we have a new Prime Minister, but it's still the same government which has failed to provide Kiwis with relief from the cost of living crisis, failed to keep our communities safe, and failed to address the critical state of our health and education sectors. Some unpopular policies have been ditched, but many have just been delayed until a more opportune time. Despite the new messaging we're still going to see wasteful spending decisions from Wellington.

National will be laser focused on getting results. We'll provide Kiwis with tax relief. We'll restore law and order by banning gang patches in public and introduce real consequences for serious youth offenders.

Scott Simpson

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## Mahamudra Centre Update

Beth Pearsall



There seems to be a lot going on in the world these past few weeks and close to home we have had floods, earthquakes and our local businesses are struggling from lack of summer visitors. This is the unpredictable nature of life and it could be quite easy to suffer from stress and anxiety. But as we work on our minds we begin to see that these states of mind are impermanent and can change in an instant. We can develop our minds and become totally free from suffering. Then we can help others do the same.

Lama Zopa, the spiritual director of the Mahamudra Centre and the FPMT organization that umbrellas Mahamudra, has said "First we have to accept this is the nature of life. Since birth we do not have total freedom; we are totally under the control of delusion and karma and that is the basis of suffering. So generate in your mind [the wish] to be totally free from the cause of suffering – delusion and karma. That means your own mind, not someone else's mind. It is your mind that is the cause of your suffering, that creates delusion and karma. Now for your own mind to be free – for you to be free from delusion and karma – it is by actualizing the path in your own mind."

If you are interested in Buddhism or have been a student for some time, we have the wonderful Venerable Tony Beaumont here for one more month in March! He will offer two retreats.

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## Patchwork & Quilters

By Raewyn Penrose

This month we profile Shirleen Notman, a proud fourth-generation Coromandel girl.

Shirleen was born a year or two ago in Fowl Lane, now (far) better known as Blacksmith Lane, behind the main street. She attended the local school and college, where she was taught sewing as a school subject. She enjoyed sewing, and made her first dress for herself aged 15.

Old flour bags were the fabric of necessity for many in those days, and Shirleen made many fine articles from these, all hand sewn. She had an old treadle sewing machine, relatively hard work, until her father bought her an electric machine. It was a fine Italian one, a Borletti, well known for the quality stitching it could do. Shirleen's father paid 75 pounds for the Borletti, no doubt a great deal of money at the time.

Shirleen worked at her father's electrical shop during the day, and to further her knowledge of sewing and dressmaking, enrolled in a night class in 1986 with the locally well known Shirley Thompson. This was her first introduction to block design and quiltmaking. Her first quilt was her first and last "hand stitched" creation.

Shirleen has been part of our local patchwork and quilters group since its inception. The first group formed in 1986 and met in what is now the TCDC office. They then moved to the Presbyterian Church rooms, then the old RSA (now the Coromandel Citizens' Hall) and then to our current St John rooms.

Shirleen has been, and still is, a prolific creator of quilts, hundreds in fact. Like most quiltmakers, the time and effort involved can never be seen as a commercial exercise. They do it for the pleasure of creating a unique, one-off item, and more so, the pleasure of gifting it as a family heirloom. Her quilts have ended up far and wide around the globe.

Shirleen remains an inspiration to us all. She continues to amaze with her creations and all of us highly value her contribution to the group and its members.



A couple of Shirleen's quilts

We welcome new members – please come along any day and see what we do. We meet at the St. John Ambulance rooms on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month. We look forward to seeing you. Contact our President, Fiona Neal 027 373 6991 or Secretary, Sharon Currie 027 299 6695

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## Coromandel Community Preschool



By Debra Attwood

The month of February has been another very unsettled month, with so much rain and wind. As I write, this Cyclone Gabrielle has just decimated the Coromandel and we are cut off from the rest of NZ as all roads out of Coromandel Town are closed. The road crews are working tirelessly to get our roads open. Over the past couple of days there have also been power and phone outages. Thank you to the hard-working crews who are out and about in atrocious weather conditions to restore everything. Preschool was closed for a couple of days due to the cyclone, with the worst of the weather making a real mess

of the playground. Unfortunately we have lost one of our large silk trees, as it became unstable and needed to be removed for the safety of our tamariki and staff.

Currently we are exploring our great outdoors, how children and their families like to engage with nature, through walks, biking, fishing, hunting, gardening, why do we live in Coromandel, what do we enjoy doing? Where is your favourite place outdoors?

The tamariki have enjoyed lots of water play on the odd day when it was fine, plus many art and construction projects.

We are looking for a range of resources, both natural and manmade to complement our art projects and loose part play. This can include: pine cones, stones, driftwood, flowers, shells, planks of untreated wood, boxes, scarves, wool, wooden or stainless

bowls, jugs, etc., so if you have anything that you want to clear out of your house, then pop in to see if we could use it. When the weather allows, we will be taking trips out into the community to source some of these products.

We have celebrated birthdays for Nicholas, Freddie, TK, Sadie, Sylvie, and Avalynn. We wish them all a very happy birthday. We said farewell to Amber, Cameron, Dylan and Finley, and welcomed Aurora and River.

Our rolls are currently full, but you are welcome to come along if you have a child aged between six months and six years and are looking for a quality early childhood centre for your children to grow and learn in a caring environment with dedicated teachers. If this is the right place for you and your child to begin their lifelong journey of learning, you can put your child's name on the waiting list if required. Check out our latest Education review on the website: <http://www.ero.govt.nz/review-reports/coromandel-community-preschool-25-05-2018/>.

The centre operates Monday to Friday 8am-4pm. We are situated at 155 Pottery Lane. If you are interested call in for a visit or phone us on (07) 866 7570

## Coromandel Area School



By Jamie Brown

Welcome back everyone. What a great start to

Term 1; it has been full of swimming, sun, and getting to know each other. We are ready for an EPIC 2023!

It is awesome to see all of our wonderful students back at school and happy to be here. Again, we would like to welcome all of our new staff, whānau and students to our kura. We hope you enjoy CAS.

### Term Dates

Term 1 – ends **Thursday 6 April**

Term 2 – starts **Monday 24 April**, ends **Friday 30 June**

Term 3 – starts **Monday 17 July**, ends **Friday 22 September**

Term 4 – starts **Monday 9 October**, ends TBC

### Communication

We endeavour to communicate as effectively and efficiently as possible in regard to all school matters. Please ensure you read all newsletters, notes home and check the website regularly to keep up to date with any information you may need to know. Please also check our official Facebook page. The name of the page is Coromandel Area School, so please “like” and “follow” us on the page to get instant and up to date information, photographs and updates on school achievements.

**Start of year message from the Principal**  
What will 2023 bring? We can't answer that

question, and if the recent past is anything to go by, we actually shouldn't try. Being prepared, flexible, creative, collaborative, patient and organised, are all attributes that will be required. One of the most important things we can offer ourselves, our school, our community and most importantly are students, is not always the easiest thing: positivity, hope, aroha. Put all of that together, and we will not only survive, but CAS will thrive.

We have a responsibility as educators, as community members, as humans, to be better each day for our ākonga. We have a responsibility to improve outcomes for all of our students, growing our kakano into kauri. Unashamedly and unapologetically, our focus this year is ensuring our standards stay high, our expectations are clear and met, and we are all fulfilling our responsibilities as members at CAS. We have a duty and responsibility to raise our game, in any way we may need to.

Kia tika, kia pono, kia aroha: Our vision is big, bold and unique and has been created through both wisdom and imagination and aligns with our community's deepest values. Our vision is an aspiration for the future of Coromandel Area School, its staff, students and whānau. It is hard to translate into one sentence and capture the essence of what is a huge vision: therefore how do we measure success? Success will be achieved by how richly we all live these values in the present, focusing daily on what we are supposed to do, doing it well, and enjoying ourselves while we do it.

## Coromandel Youth Group at Hauraki House

Activities and play for children 5+ yrs.

We hope that you have all made it through the weather events of February safe and well! For March we are operating our usual after-school hours, just a change of day for our Adventure Time Outdoor Activities Group.

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday  
3pm-5pm

Wednesday Adventure Time 3-5.30pm  
(for school years 6-10)

Sunday 1pm-3pm.  
A gold coin donation per session is greatly appreciated.

Any concerns or for more information phone us on (07) 866 7061 during opening hours or email us [coromandelyouthgroup@gmail.com](mailto:coromandelyouthgroup@gmail.com).

Along with the kind donations we receive, we would like to thank those that make this programme possible: Lottery Waikato, COGS, Trust Waikato, D.V. Bryant Trust, NZ Communities Trust

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# mahi toi ARTS

## Rivers and Roads

### The journey of two artists

For their third collaborative exhibition, Diann Cade and Jan Linklater have moved forward with local landscapes as a starting point in works both large and small, bright and dark!

Diann has developed an expressionistic, atmospheric approach based on travelling through the land. Jan uses North Island's rivers to explore her love of patterns and vibrant colour.

Both are founder members of Gallery 6 and participate in the Open Studios Coromandel Arts Tour, Watch this Space and the Coromandel Christmas exhibition.

Come visit and view, and meet the artists of "Rivers and Roads".

Opening 5pm **Friday 10 March.**

Open daily 10am-4pm, **Friday 10 to Sunday 19 March,** Hauraki House, Kapanga Road, Coromandel.

Contact Diann Cade ed44diann46@xtra.co.nz, 027 286 5146



Diann Cade and Jan Linklater

## Coromandel Easter Exhibition

This year's Easter Art Exhibition will take place at Hauraki House Gallery from **Saturday 1 April to Easter Monday 10 April.** It will be the 37th edition of this important exhibition, which was started by a group of local artists including Barry Brickell, Dierdre Airey, Tom and Wailin Elliot and Jenny Shearer. In the early years the exhibition was held in the old courthouse section of the TCDC building, until the Hauraki House Gallery was opened in the mid 1980s. Tom, Wailin and Jenny are still exhibiting as the three surviving members of the original, innovative group and are still producing work of the finest quality. This year they are joined by ceramic artists Maureen Allison, Janet Smith, Mike O'Donnell and screen printer Pete Sephton.

Please join us for the gala opening on **Friday 31 March** at 5.30pm.

## Mercury Bay Art Escape

Mercury Bay Art Escape is your chance to visit 40 artists in the stunning coastal area of the Eastern Coromandel Peninsula, New Zealand, from Matarangi to Hikuai. The annual artists' open studios in the first two weekends of March each year, with a rich and eclectic mix of art mediums, provides a unique opportunity to visit and chat with member artists in their studios, see their work in progress, find what inspires them and what new art they are working on and buy direct from their studios.

Attend the Gala Opening on **Friday 3 March** at Hot Waves Café and hear guest speaker Lynda Hallinan.

See the showcase exhibition at Hot Waves Café, Hot Water Beach from **Sunday 5 March to Tuesday 11 April.**

### About a few of the artists

Alan and Julia Rhodes produce hand-thrown pots with magnificent glazes that are unique to the Coromandel Peninsula.

In a stroke of pure luck, Alan and Julia discovered beautiful stoneware clay on their own property. They dig and process this to hand-make their pottery, which is fired in a gas kiln.

Wander up a bush path to their studio where you can meet these artists and discover a treasure trove of stoneware pottery with a real "terroir" (sense of place) to the Coromandel.

Meg Auth creates art jewellery using found objects, stones and gems, set in precious and non-precious metals, which provide a reminder or connection to the sea for the wearer. Primarily a self-taught jeweller, Meg initially gained an art degree with a focus in printmaking from etched metal plates.

Meg crafts her jewellery in a tiny Hahei studio with a stunning view across to Mahurangi Island. Living by the sea provides an endless source of inspiration for her work

Details and tickets are available at [www.mercurybayartescape.com](http://www.mercurybayartescape.com)



Alan Rhodes



Meg Auth

## Hanna

Hanna is a one-woman play with Cassandra Woodhouse, directed by Jennifer Ward-Lealand.

It will be performed in the Hauraki House Theatre on **Thursday 2 March**, thanks to AOTNZ.

Tickets at the Coromandel Town Information Centre.

## Bayleys are the Major Sponsor of Mercury Bay Art Escape in 2023

Bayleys Coromandel, based in Whitianga, are confirmed as the major sponsor of Mercury Bay Art Escape for 2023. Chairman Stuart Christie says; "We are really pleased to welcome Bayleys back and with a major change in ownership in 2022 they are continuing a great partnership of many years with the Art Escape and an association between art in our wider Mercury Bay community and the business of bringing visitors into the region."

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**Tattletale Saints return**

Exciting news – one of our favourite duos, American-based Tattletale Saints, is returning to Coromandel as part of a nationwide tour.

Cy Winstanley and Vanessa McGowan are coming “home” to Aotearoa to celebrate the 3 March release of their new album, “In the Summertime”, as well as the vinyl release of “Dancing Under the Dogwoods”, winner of the 2021 Aotearoa Music Award.

On “In the Summertime”, Winstanley (vocals and guitar) and McGowan (vocals and bass) dive deep into old set lists, with surprising versions of everything from old country traditionals and bluegrass to reggae and 70’s pop. The compilation takes fans on a rollicking ride through the diverse influences synonymous with a Tattletale Saints’ performance.

The Auckland-born duo who have delighted Coromandel audiences twice in the past, are based in Nashville, Tennessee. They moved there in 2014 and have built flourishing careers as session players in Music City. Individually, they tour and record with various Americana and country acts, and together for multi-Grammy nominated artist Brandy Clark.

Tattletale Saints were nominated for the Silver Scroll in 2013 and won the Aotearoa Music Award for Folk in 2014 and 2021.

“Intelligent, entertaining, and thoroughly captivating” – Sing Out! Magazine.

“Beautiful organic folk songs...shimmers like an Indian summer

afternoon” – Acoustic Guitar Magazine.

“There is a timeless quality to the Tattletale Saints’ music, simultaneously classic roots and modern revival, placing them alongside the more notable artists of today’s scene. There are elements of folk, good old Appalachia-style music, and a splash of country in their sound, too, which they do exceedingly well. And this all comes together to create well-written songs with stirring vocals” – No Depression.

“Cy is a beautiful singer, melodic yet conversational, and a vocal resemblance to Paul Simon is only heightened by the ambitiousness of his song writing...in the unadorned setting of the duo it becomes clear how complete that talent is” – Nick Bollinger.

For more information see [www.tattletalesaints.com](http://www.tattletalesaints.com).

**Your chance to win an amazing prize pack**

There is a terrific competition advertised on the Tattletale Saints Facebook page. Because our tickets don’t go on sale until early March, Coromandel Town attendees will miss the deadline of **Friday 3 March**. You can still enter before **Friday 3 March** by emailing [robinmunch24@gmail.com](mailto:robinmunch24@gmail.com) but you must be able to produce your ticket by **Wednesday 15 March** if you are the lucky winner.

**Concert details**

Date: **Saturday 25 March** at 7.30pm. Doors/bar open from 7pm.

Venue: Hauraki House Theatre, Kapanga Rd, Coromandel Town.

Tickets: \$25 from Coromandel Town Information Centre, ph (07) 866 8598, email: [info@coromandeltown.nz](mailto:info@coromandeltown.nz).

Door sales if not sold out prior (both of their previous concerts sold out). Make sure you don’t miss out on this award-winning duo.

**Coromandel Art Group**

By Val Gray

I cannot believe that we are nearly a quarter of the way into 2023, and we are still waiting for summer! February was a



Judges Jeff Howarth, Pat Williams and Mary Farmer

very busy month for the Art Group as we commenced our annual art exhibition on 10 February. Being our 20th exhibition we wanted it to be special, and it was certainly that with Cyclone Gabrielle hitting two days after we opened.

Our judges for People’s Choice were Mary Farmer, Pat Williams and Jeff Howarth. There is some lovely work in the exhibition so it can’t have been an easy job for them to select the winners.

The results were: 1st – Poppies by Barbara Peddie, 2nd – Rocky Estuary by Lindsay Nicholls, 3rd – Calm Coromandel Mooring by Barbara Peddie.

Thank you judges for your results, and the time given to the group.

Like so many groups during Covid our numbers dwindled as members moved to be nearer their families. So at the present time we have a few spaces available if you would like to join us. We meet Thursday mornings

9am to midday at St Andrew’s Church Hall on Rings Road. Why not drop in to see what we do when we start up again after our exhibition has finished? We start on **Thursday 9 March**.

While I am writing, Cyclone Gabrielle is bearing down on us, and I hope everyone has managed to stay safe. Hopefully by March the sun will be shining, and we will be able to paint out at some of our beautiful locations.



The winning painting “Poppies” by Barbara Peddie

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## Thames Music Group 2023 Series

Sunday Afternoon Concert – harpist and composer, **Josh Layne** Sunday 5 March at 2pm, St George’s Church, Mackay Street Thames. \$20 cash at the door.



Canadian harpist and composer Josh Layne performs music by Bach, Beethoven, Layne, Presle, Smetana, and more.

Here as a guest of the New Zealand Harp Festival, Layne has been touring the North and South Islands since the start of February, with this concert marking the end of his New Zealand tour. Layne performs a program that shows off the depth and breadth of the harp. Headlined by stunning arrangement for solo harp of Smetana’s orchestral masterpiece, “The Moldau”, the program also includes the Adagio from Beethoven’s “Appassionata” sonata, Layne’s own music, and Jacques de le Presle’s French impressionist “Garden in the Rain”. Learn more about Layne at his website [www.joshlayne.com](http://www.joshlayne.com).

Short bio: Harpist/composer Josh Layne has been called a “harp genius” and a “consummate musician”. He has performed extensively across Canada, the US, Europe and South America and has been praised for both his virtuosity and the sensitivity of his playing. Josh has recorded four albums of solo harp music, including his 2013 CD “Passage: music for solo harp” which features three of his original compositions for harp. Recent projects include a revival of Bochsá’s long dormant “Concerto No. 1 in D minor” with a performance at the World Harp Congress in Wales in July 2022.

Born out of a passion for teaching, Josh’s biweekly YouTube series “Harp Tuesday” launched in 2010. Harp Tuesday covers all aspects of playing the harp – from your first lesson to in-depth looks at advanced music. With 200+ episodes and over 2 million views, Harp Tuesday is an amazing resource for harpists all over the world. Josh’s most recent YouTube project is Harpist in the Wild, a new video series combining his love of music and the outdoors. More at [www.harpistinthewild.com](http://www.harpistinthewild.com).

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## Friday Lunchtime Free Concert – violinist Isla May Whinnen-Jensen Friday 24 March St George’s Church, Mackay Street, Thames at 12.15pm.



Isla is a talented 12-year-old local Thames violinist, who has been learning violin for six years. She is currently studying for her grade six exam, with Auckland based teacher Alexandra Laubli.

Isla has previously played in Auckland with the BayLynn Youth Band, held two of her own concerts in Thames, and is a familiar face busking at the Thames market. Isla is currently collaborating with other musicians forming a folk band. Her genres include classical, folk and contemporary and she plans to study music at University, to become a violin teacher and luthier.

Friday’s concert will be a mixture of classical and folk music.

## Connections Exhibition

### A Three Women Collaboration

Getting close now to our exhibition. A last flurry of firings and preparations, very exciting!

We are looking forward to setting up in the beautiful Driving Creek Gallery.

Opening night **Friday 3 March**, 5.30pm, everyone welcome, love to see you.

Exhibition runs from 10am to 4pm, **Saturday 4 to Sunday 19 March**.

### Kay Ogilvie – sculptor

I am constantly surprised at how far I can push boundaries, stretching and stressing clay, then assembling pieces full of texture and movement. I find deep satisfaction with the earthiness of these works and am full of joy when sculptures make it through the entire journey, emerging whole from the kiln and once again leading me to the next piece.



Kay Ogilvie

### Erica Lyons – artist

A collection of mixed-media paintings incorporating fragments of precious vintage tapa cloths from wide and faraway places, crossing boundaries and exploring new territories.

Also a selection of handmade Pacific-themed necklaces.

All of the work has a combination of culture and symbolism.

### Yvonne Szabo – potter

My current work is keeping me awake at night! Almost too excited to sleep...I can’t wait to show you what I’ve been up to. One of the things I’ve been exploring is the early pottery technique of burnishing hand-built vessels and finishing them in my Weber BBQ. I want people to touch and hold these pieces and enjoy them as much as I do.



Erica Lyons



Yvonne Szabo

# OUR COROMANDEL



News from Thames-Coromandel District Council

March 2023

## Business recovery in the spotlight

**Mayor Len and Coromandel-Colville Councillor John Morrissey paid a welcome visit early last month to meet with Coromandel Town businesses feeling the effects of all the severe weather events including Cyclone Gabrielle that have impacted our economy and infrastructure district-wide.**

With the support of Destination Hauraki-Coromandel (DHC), our Destination Management Organisation, a marketing campaign is being launched to encourage traffic through Thames, along the Thames Coast and up to Coromandel Town.

"We see an opportunity to encourage visitors to "enjoy the ride", do the Coromandel loop, and make the most of everything the Coromandel has to offer," says Mayor Len.

"We will be keeping business and community stakeholders updated as



*Mayor Len and Councillor John Morrissey with Mike from the Pepper Tree Restaurant.*

we go. It will take a team effort, and it will take all of us supporting each other, sharing ideas and working together."

Extreme weather events over January and February meant there was a controlled release of the Kōpūtauākī debris dam, which posed a risk to the community, the Kōpūtauākī bridge and the community marae. The situation continues to be actively monitored and managed.



Coromandel-Colville  
Community Board  
**UPDATE**

### A word from our Board Chair Gavin Jeffcoat



"We've had some tough challenges to face already this year, with stormy weather damaging our roads and other infrastructure, and generally frightening people away during our busiest time of year. The great thing is, we're doing what we do best – supporting and looking out for one another. A big shout out to all the workers who have been working, and continue working, in difficult dangerous places, to keep us connected and safe. Together, with our determination, skills and resilience, we will build our recovery. Great to see the embers flickering of a new Coromandel Business Association, as our businesses reach out to work together and support each other. Stay safe everyone."

[gavin.jeffcoat@council.tcdc.govt.nz](mailto:gavin.jeffcoat@council.tcdc.govt.nz)

The Board's next meeting is on Tuesday 21 March, 9am, at Colville Hall, 2310 Colville Road.

To speak in the public forum, contact [governance.services@tcdc.govt.nz](mailto:governance.services@tcdc.govt.nz). Agendas are published two working days before meetings at [tcdc.govt.nz/agendas-reports-and-minutes](http://tcdc.govt.nz/agendas-reports-and-minutes) You can watch recordings of our meetings on our YouTube channel: [youtube.com/c/ourcoromandel](https://youtube.com/c/ourcoromandel)

## Kerbside Collections

Our regular non-summer collection schedule has resumed. If you are in Coromandel Rural North, your blue bags go out every Tuesday and your rubbish and recycling on 14 and 28 March. For Coromandel Town and Te Kouma, your blue bags go out every Wednesday and rubbish and recycling on 8 and 22 March. For Thames Coast and Manaia, your blue bags go out every Tuesday, and rubbish and recycling on 7 and 21 March. Check the schedule for your area at



[tcdc.govt.nz/kerbside](http://tcdc.govt.nz/kerbside)

Our seven Refuse Transfer Stations (RTS) are open to their regular non-summer hours. If you have missed your collection date, you can take your blue bags and recycling in person to your nearest RTS to drop off at no charge. Check the locations and operating hours at

[tcdc.govt.nz/rts](http://tcdc.govt.nz/rts)

## ANNUAL PLAN CONSULTATION BEGINS THIS MONTH

The public consultation period for this year's Annual Plan 2023/24 will take place from 14 March to 10 April, so set aside some time to share your feedback with us. We'll be flagging any changes that are significantly different to what we forecast in our Long Term Plan for 2023/24, and asking you to comment.



This will include requesting your feedback on three different pricing options for our solid waste fee charges, that encompass both a targeted rate per community board service area, and a pre-paid 'Pay as You Throw' tag.

We will deliberate on your submissions at our 17 May meeting, and the final Annual Plan 2023/24 will be adopted at our Council's meeting on 27 June.

## LET'S TALK RUBBISH

What do you think about our draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan?

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# te taiao ENVIRONMENT



## The Wetland and the Lagoon

By Julie Sargisson

The last time I wandered from the causeway up the Medlock's driveway to the lagoon, I was astounded to see so many pateke ducks. There could have been over 50 happily swimming in wide circles on the lagoon. This summer Coromandel seems to be having an increased population of these beautiful, small, brown teal ducks endemic to NZ and not long off the endangered list. They are monogamous and fiercely territorial and nest in the rushes by the water. So these pateke will be the parents and ducklings of the last July to September breeding season. The lagoon and the salt marsh beyond is their perfect home ground. They eat the mud crabs and whelks, earthworms, beetles and vegetation.

The lagoon also brings an increase in the pied stilts, herons and spoonbills stalking through the water in search of the small fish washed in on the high tides. Watching the smooth surface of the lagoon, which extends along the back fence of the wetlands, I saw lots of water disturbance and small fish leaping out of the water. This diverse ecosystem – which includes the mangrove/manawa forest, the rushes, the salt marsh and the lagoon – nurtures a wealth of baby fish.

Estuarine waters are a combination of salt and fresh waters and are influenced by the tides. This is the perfect, if transitory, home for our migratory native freshwater fish that require access to the sea at some stage of their life cycle. They lay their sticky eggs on the rushes at high tide and hatch at the next high tide. These are transitional zones where the young can adjust from fresh to salt water.

There are many fish that feed on the detritus of the manawa forest: mullet, herring, parore, sole, mackerel, triplefin and spotties. These in turn attract the larger fish: kahawai and kingfish. Not to mention the abundance of crabs and whelks. Until our survey is carried out as planned this year, who knows the extent of the estuarine life being washed up on the tides, from the increasing groves of mangroves/manawa into this beautiful lagoon where the wading birds thrive and the pateke ducks have made their home.

You can't see the lagoon from the causeway, so it's worth taking a walk up the Medlock's driveway (all welcome), along the fence line of the wetlands just to see and marvel at how prolific the wetland ecosystem has become in such a short time.



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## MEG

By Genevieve Morley

Kia ora everyone! At the time of writing this, Cyclone Gabrielle had just swept through. What a harrowing experience seeing the trees bend and hearing the wind howl. If you want to help support the birds after such an event, setting up a backyard feeding station with a nectar feeder is one thing you can do. Kākā, korimako (bellbird), tauhou (silveryeye) and tūi are all native bird species that love drinking nectar from a feeder. To make a sugar solution, dissolve half a cup of sugar to four cups of water and you can leave it in a shallow dish. The more colourful the feeding station is, the more likely it will be to attract birds.

### Farewell to Terry Whitehouse

The MEG team was devastated to hear of the recent passing of Terry Whitehouse – a stalwart champion of conservation in the northern Coromandel. Terry made thousands of rat and stoat traps in his time with us as a volunteer, and was popular with school children, teaching them how to make their own rat traps. Terry was also instrumental in setting up the children's forest near Waikawau Bay, spending over 15 years on annual planting missions with the Colville School. He was actively involved in the pāteke and North Island robin releases that occurred in the Moehau region, and he helped many to do backyard trapping of possums or replant native trees. He was always a practical, cheerful, sparkling personality, a person who would help anyone at any time. We miss him dearly. His legacy is large, the trapping work will go on thanks to his generous gift of time and expertise.



Terry Whitehouse

### MEG Pest Attack gets Possum Control

With good rodent and mustelid control already in place in our 450 ha Port Charles MEG Pest Attack project, work is now underway to reduce possum numbers. With support from Lotteries and WRC, we have been able to secure funding to install a network of possum traps to reduce numbers within the project area.

Monitoring over the last year shows the highest density of possums is in the new southern area, so we are focussing our trapping efforts here initially with a network of AT 220 self-resetting traps around the boundary and into the core of the area. Ongoing monitoring of both the catch from each trap and wax tag monitoring of possum bite marks will be used to determine how we change the trapping network. With a baseline wax tag monitoring index of 62% possum bite marks in the worst area, we'll be looking forward to seeing the difference over time. An initial 75 traps have been purchased and delivered and are being installed now. From the first night the traps are proving to be effective, with catches already occurring!

### Thank you to Annemieke Kregting

Lastly, local bird rescuer Annemieke Kregting from Kuaotunu Bird Rescue is set to retire at the end of March after 15 years of working seven days a week in rehabilitating injured or sick birds. We want to say a huge thank you to Annemieke for her dedication, incredible heart and for everything she has done for our bird life. We look forward to having Annemieke come and present as part of our Winter Lecture Series. This will be a great opportunity to learn from her extensive experience.

Have a great month everyone!

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# hākinakina SPORT

## Golf Club

By Malcolm Stone



### A reprieve for “Opening Day”

Opening Day at Coromandel Golf Club was always going to be challenging with the aftermath of record rainfalls that have occurred over the last month resulting in infrequent mowing. Regardless, the course was in the best condition possible. Members put the previous storms behind them and opened the 2023 in high spirits. Peggy McLean opened the day with the first drive for the coming season, and an awesome drive it was, setting the scene for the rest of the day. That’s when the fun started. The course put everyone through their paces. The roar of laughter could be heard all over the course. The 27 players were all playing on the same course but some golfers mastered the conditions better than others.

There had to be a winner and, regardless of the course conditions, a mixed couple rose to the occasion. 2023 Bob Riley Trophy Winners: David Coatsworth and Glenise Robertson.

Just prior to Cyclone Gabrielle hitting, the course was looking in great condition thanks to our team of volunteer mowers. Their job has now been made a lot easier by the recent purchase of a Kubota tractor and fairway mower, bought from Purangi Golf Club. The tractor is a tad more powerful than our current one, so capable of tackling more difficult terrain. Mowing of fairway and rough can now be done when required without having to wait for the tractor to be available. Great job team!

I am currently cut off in Te Kouma whilst writing this so I have no idea what this cyclone has done to our course. Actually, just found out that we escaped major damage during the cyclone event, just a lot of debris across the course which is being cleared as I type.

Unfortunately, due to the weather, only one Twilight Golf session has been held at the time of writing, but will be fully up and running once we get back to a normal summer. If you are young, new to golf or a part-timer, we encourage you to come down and give it a go. Every Friday, weather permitting – 4.30pm. for a 5pm start. Prizes for everyone culminating in some great prizes on the final night, so don’t miss out.

Thanks to some thoughtless and selfish acts of a few \$#@&\*\$ (expletives) who felt that they could break in and help themselves to the golf club’s hard earned property, the golf club now finds itself in the position of having to spend a considerable amount of money in order to beef up its security. Please be vigilant out there.

By the time you read this we may actually be enjoying the summer we never had! Stay safe and enjoy a game of golf.

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It’s set for **Saturday 4 March** (postponement date Saturday 11 March). If you haven’t got your entry forms already, then head down to Coromandel Fish, Hunt and Dive, Salty Towers or email Sharon on coromandelfishingclub@gmail.com.

Can’t wait to see all of you “Classy Chicks” there!

The Club’s Fish of the Month for January was snapper and the \$100 went to Kathy Boyce; well done Kathy! March is kahawai and April is gurnard.

Hopefully our town has seen the worst of its weather so we can see you back out there fishing.

## Coromandel Croquet Club

By Raewyn McKinney

The croquet greens are looking good. Thanks go to Geoff, and Lyn and her husband for all of their hard work caring for the greens and the surrounding area.

If you would like to try the game of croquet, call Lyn on 027 466 2661 for more information. We meet on Tuesdays and Fridays at 9.30am and provide all of the equipment and a six-week period of coaching before you decide to join. The club is situated in Woollams Ave next to the Bowling Club.



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## Every Day

Free meditation at Mahamudra (except during silent retreats)..... 8.30-9am

## Every Monday

Step Aerobics at Coro Gym .....8am  
 Coromandel Hikers' Group, Hauraki House, Colin & Elspeth (07) 866 7137 .....9am  
 Monday Walkers, Woollams Ave car park north end, Irene 021 157 8408.....9am  
 Gold Fit at Coro Gym.....9.30am  
 Line dancing, Anglican Church Hall, Jeni Mudgway 021 022 75341 ..... 3pm  
 Bridge, St John rooms..... 7pm  
 Taizé 4-part harmony singing, Sally 027 302 4245 ..... 7.30pm

## Every Tuesday

Croquet, Woollams Ave, Lyn 027 466 2661 .....9.15am  
 Coro Walking Group, Lotto Dairy, Ruth (07) 866 7246 .....9am  
 Age Concern seniors' exercise class, Coromandel Gym. \$2 Vickie 027 417 7077.....10am  
 Yoga for everyone, Colville Hall, Kate 021 125 3152 .....10am  
 Playcentre, Woollams Ave..... 10.30am-1pm  
 Na Ihowa Ahau after-school kids club (term time only), Anglican Hall, Anita 027 259 1085..... 3.15-4.45pm  
 Yin Yoga with Toni, Waikato Event Center (above swimming pool), \$10-\$20, Toni 020 4076 1526 ..... 5.30-6.45pm

## Every Wednesday

Step Aerobics at Coro Gym .....8am  
 Meditation at Mahamudra ..... 8.15-8.45am  
 Pastel Artists Coromandel, Coro Aero Club Rooms (07) 866 7220..... 9am-12pm  
 Gold Fit at Coro Gym.....9.30am  
 Ballet Class For Adults, Coromandel Citizens' Hall, \$10 per class. Marilyn 027 336 5263..... 10-11am  
 Coromandel Home-school group, Julene 020 4060 8102 ..... 12.30pm  
 Taichi classes, Waikato Events Centre, Christina 021 113 4768..... 4pm

## Every Thursday

Coro Walking Group, Lotto Dairy, Ruth (07) 866 7246 .....9am  
 Coro Art Group, St Andrew's Church Hall, Lindsay (07) 866 7799..... 9am-12pm  
 Tai Chi, Waikato Events Centre (above the swimming pool).....10am  
 Age Concern seniors' exercise class, Coromandel Gym. \$2 Vickie 027 417 7077.....10am  
 Free Guided Meditation, Havalona Pyramid ..... 10-11am  
 Movement for Equanimity (MFE), a well-being fascia movement class, contact Judy 021 0200 7550 ..... 3-4pm  
 Recova 12-step addiction recovery meeting, Eilm Church, Liz 027 436 2800 ..... 6.30pm  
 Free drop-in Dharma talk or video at Mahamudra .....7-8.30pm

## Every Friday

Step Aerobics at Coro Gym .....8am  
 Coromandel Homegrown Market..... 8.30am-12.30pm  
 Community Gardens volunteer day ..... 8.30-11am  
 Yoga for everyone, Anglican Hall, Kate 021 125 3152.....9am  
 Croquet, Woollams Ave, Lyn 027 466 2661 .....9.15am  
 Chess Club, Umu, Mike 027 304 9252 .....9.30am  
 Playcentre, Woollams Ave.....9.45am-12.15pm  
 Coromandel Bowling Club social evening at the Club ..... 3.30-7pm  
 Coromandel Tennis Club "club day" ..... 4pm  
 Coromandel Flying Club social gathering, all welcome ..... 5.30pm

## Every Saturday

RSA Coromandel, RSA Club Rooms Woollams Ave. President Kevin Stone (07) 866 7576..... 3.30-7pm

## Every Sunday

Anglican Church Service ..... 10am  
 Coromandel Tennis Club "club day" ..... 1pm

## Monthly

**1st Mon** – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, St John rooms, Jill (07) 866 7484 ..... 9.30am-3.30pm  
**3rd Mon** – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, St John rooms, Jill (07) 866 7484 ..... 9.30am-3.30pm  
**1st Wed** – Coro Embroiderers' Guild, St John rooms, Win McMinn (07) 866 7508..... 10am-3pm

**1st Wed** – Lions Dinner meeting, St John rooms. President Mary Farmer (07) 866 7321 or 027 699 0446..... 6pm  
**2nd Wed** – Garden Circle. Kath Denize (07) 866 7441, 022 413 6573 ..... 1pm  
**2nd Wed** – Car Club meeting at The Club, Bruce 027 249 0878..... 4pm  
**3rd Wed** – Lions Business Meeting, St John rooms. President Mary Farmer (07) 866 7321 or 027 699 0446..... 7pm  
**Last Thurs** – Green Drinks at Star & Garter ..... 5pm  
**Last Thurs** – DCR Music and Art Night ..... 6.30pm  
**1st & 3rd Sun** – Church Service at St Andrew's Church, Rings Road.....10am

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