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Call 111. AED's in Coromandel Town: Fire Station, Ambulance Station, Four Square, Coro Family Health, Bowling Club/RSA, Te Korowai and Phoenix House. Although AED's are important, St John say performing continuous chest compressions/calling 111 takes priority.

..... Editor's comment .....

Springtime!

I've had a hard time getting the Chronicle layout done this issue as I have had a bad cold/flu, the second this winter. Fortunately I am feeling a lot better while writing this, even if I am a little later than normal. Thanks to my dad who has kindly proof read the Chronicle this issue to help me out.

I went to see the Killer Boobs play just before this issue went to print. What an outstanding performance. Who knew a play about cancer could be so funny! The audience were screaming with laughter and singing to the music between scenes. Well done to the Coromandel Players.

*Debbie*



..... Letters .....

**Bob Johnstone – a thank you**

Further to Bob and Belinda's family's acknowledgment to the community, in the July Chronicle, I would like to add my very grateful thanks to Mike Olliff and all the men and women of FENZ who gave Bob such great send-off at his memorial service last year. Keep up the great work you all do for the community. Bob was very proud to be "one of you".

I'd also like to send my best wishes and heartfelt thanks to medical staff, district nurses and Hospice for supporting us in caring for Bob.

Gaylene Holt

**Nana Pat**

A huge thank you to all who supported Nana Pat's family in numerous ways... hugs, tears, laughs, quiet time, celebrating her life, comforting stories, talking and more hugs.

Thank you for the food dropped at Nana's house and all the food gathered and prepared for Nana Pat's farewell.

Thank you for the massive gathering of friends and family who came to say farewell to such an unforgettable amazing woman.

Thank you to her beautiful great grandchildren who braved the sadness and broken little hearts for singing her a song at her farewell (Nana would have been smiling and her tears would have been flowing if she could have been there with you).

Special thank you to Jan Autumn who was our saviour, you are truly one of a kind Jan.

The biggest of all thank yous goes to Nana Pat for being the very best anyone could be, kind, generous, strong, thoughtful, beautiful, loving person and best friend... We will forever miss such a perfect Mum and Nana Pat, we will never ever forget who you were and will always remember your words of wisdom.

"Spend time as much time as you can with your children, sing, dance, play and most of all be happy, take care of their health. They are your world and are so so precious, life goes by so quickly, every single moment is priceless."

Arohanui Nana Pat.

From Nana Pat's family

**A Fabulous Service**

I am unable to drive to Thames and back in a day, nor can I push a heavy trolley around the supermarket. My walking distance is now down to 150 meters, making shopping at places like The Warehouse or Mitre10 very difficult. Likewise with getting dropped off in Thames by the Coro Taxis Shuttle; it would leave me marooned.

Sharon at Coro Taxis has come up with a brilliant solution, for \$12 Sharon will pick up "Click and Collect" orders when she makes her scheduled trips to Thames. Coro Taxis now has a luggage trailer, with plenty of space for online shopping orders.

A regular online shopper, I recently used Sharon's Thames "Click and Collect" service. I did my online order and booked a "Click and Collect" slot for 11am. The night before, I gave Sharon a call; the next day, like magic, at about 1pm, she arrived with my order.

We are so lucky to have this service; give it a try, it removes all the difficulties of getting supplies from Thames!

Yours sincerely,  
Jayne Lister



Nana Pat with her Great Grandchildren Sadie, Maddie, Charlie, Finn, Indy, George, Jackson, Tucker, Harper, Meadow and Fletcher

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# Double Digit Rate Rises & Growing Council Debt

## Where Does it End..?

Its time to challenge council borrowing which secures debt over rates notices, future rates revenue and our local assets.

This is a problem for every one.

Calling all locals to join the discussion this September

## Coromandel Meetings

### Thames

Monday 16th 7 - 9 pm  
Thames Bowling Club  
512 Mackay Street

### Whangamata

Tuesday 17th 6:30 - 8:30 pm  
Whangamata Memorial Hall  
326 Port Road

### Whitianga

Wednesday 18th 7 - 9 pm  
Mercury Bay Bowling Club  
92 Cook Drive

### Colville

Friday 20th September  
5:30 - 7:30 pm  
Colville Hall  
2310 Colville Road

### Coromandel

Saturday 21st September  
1 - 3 pm  
Coromandel Bowling Club  
190 Woollams Avenue

## All Welcome

Join Mark Quinn for a presentation of facts and figures, to listen & learn about why we need to challenge councils now and not leave this to future generations.

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..... Letters & opinion continued .....

**Local 309 Postage**

In the early 1980s John Rabarts, as part of his publishing business, produced local stamps at his small printing works, which were used for pre-payment of various services in the area. One such was the delivery of items to people living on the remote 309 Road.



The service was a courier and fundraising for various local causes including the library.

Rabarts was careful not to use the words "mail" or "post" on the stamps, as these were reserved for the post office. Items did however have to have a NZ post stamp attached to the envelope as well in order to abide by the law.

I believe the service came to an end when Rev Smith, who was delivering the items, was killed in a car crash.

If anyone has any information about this service then please contact me.

From  
Ross Marshall, PO Box 194,  
Otorohanga,  
Marshall.R@xtra.co.nz



**Possum diet**

In last month's Chronicle I saw the possum described as a creature which eats birds, chicks, eggs, insects and spreads TB.

All the possum poisoning being done on the Coromandel peninsula is specifically targeted at the omnivorous, TB-carrying possum.

No bird-eating, TB-spreading possum has ever been reported on the Coromandel.

The Coromandel possum has no need to go hungry. There is top-quality food for this vegetarian all the year round with numerous treats to be had throughout the year. At the time of year when chicks and eggs are available on the Coromandel, so too are many juicy new buds on all kinds of plants. Why would would the Coromandel possum bother with eggs, let alone birds?

There are clearly different species of possum requiring different means of control.

In a report put out by Australian scientists: Twigg and Twigg I read that one species of possum in Western Australia eats 1080 all the time. One quarter of their daily intake, they tell us, consists of 1080-laced leaves and the possums are thriving; unlike the possums on the east coast of Australia where our NZ possums came from.

No NZ government has found a way to control these possums apart from aerial 1080 so it's just as well NZ is not located off the south west coast of Australia; in that case our possums would be 1080-resistant and our native forests bereft of leaves and birds.

From John Veysey, Coromandel Town



**Coro Kai**

By Abby and Joss

It's all go for the Coro Kai event on **Saturday 5 October** at Coromandel Area School.

We have received plenty of interest from a variety of vendors from near and far across the peninsula and are excited to confirm we will be going ahead with this event.

As mentioned we have decided to expand on the theme of the previous and successful Coromandel Town Seafood Fest and open it up to all foods and produce locally sourced and or produced. eg: plants, honey, kai moana, baking, herbals, weaving, any hunt/gather/forage kai, any homegrown or commercial food produce that you make and wish to sell at a market or promote to our wider community.

Similar to our community market but on a larger scale as a once a year promotional for local producers. This event will be a celebration of local producers, food and market stalls with demonstrations, some fun activities and maybe some music.

To be held on the bottom field of Coromandel Area School on **Saturday 5 October**. Funds raised from the gate taking will go to the school to support Coromandel Area School fundraising.

We will be asking for a \$20 stall site fee for the day.

If you are interested or would like further information or a stall holder registration form please send us an email corokaievent@gmail.com, corokaievent@gmail.com

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## Coromandel Town Information Centre

Hello everyone.

Our numbers through the info centre the last three months (May, June, July) are up on last year by 373 people. This is very encouraging for our community and info centre. This can be for a number of reasons besides the fabulous staff and more likely weather conditions, domestic/international visitors over this time are up, locals events ie local plays/shows plus long weekends which included two, King's Birthday and Matariki.

Join our Facebook page. This is to help get information out to all parts of our community. Events, road conditions, whats happening about town, positive stories and history which is enjoyed by many from the feedback we receive. We love to hear and share and thank you to those who keep us in the loop.

We have a community section on our website we update this as often as possible. If you would like to add your group, call in to see us with all the contact details. If you would like a bigger presence on our website again come and talk to us. We have a business A-Z on the site as well if you would like to add your business get in touch. Having all the community and business A-Z contacts together makes it easier for locals, new residents or those checking out our community from afar to find what they are looking for. Go to [www.coromandeltown.nz](http://www.coromandeltown.nz).

We have a radio spot on Fridays each week. Let us know if you having an event you would like us to share. Email or call us with all the info by lunchtime Friday.

Spring has arrived and daylight saving is about to finish this month on **Sunday 29 September** so remember to put your clocks forward.



### Chess club

By Mike Mann

The Coromandel chess club have been meeting weekly at Weta cafe on Fridays 9.30am over the last two years. Members at all levels beginner up. New members most welcome. To join just turn up. We have a proposed event with the Whitianga club coming up and with the Hauraki club in spring.

A lot of fun and community connectedness and coffee.

### Chopper Chat

By Nigel Strongman, Trustee Coromandel Rescue Helicopter Trust.



Apart from five missions to Thames in July, there were four to our patch and three to Whitianga/Whangamata.

09-07-24 – Crew tasked to Coromandel to assist a male patient in his 80s suffering a medical complaint. He was flown to Auckland City Hospital in a critical condition.

11-07-24 – Crew tasked to Coromandel to assist a female patient in her 60s suffering

a medical complaint. She was flown to Waikato Hospital in a serious condition.

13-07-24 – Crew tasked to Colville to assist a male patient in his 50s suffering a walking injury. He was flown

to Auckland City Hospital in a moderate condition.

15-07-24 – Crew tasked to Tapu to assist a male patient in his 70s involved in a motor vehicle accident. He was flown to Waikato Hospital in a serious condition.

During July, the Waikato Rescue Chopper did a couple of hospital transfers from Thames to Waikato, and one mission

to Whiritoa for an ill woman.

By the time you are reading this, we will have had our AGM and also bi-monthly regular meeting. However, all is going well for CRHT, except that along with the economy in general, donations are a little slower this year. We hope that the situation improves on both counts. It seems to be harder and harder to raise funds. Plus, nothing is getting cheaper! The good news is that you raised just over \$1,000 from the coin boxes around town in the last couple of months. Small fish are sweet!

Have a safe month, keep warm, dry and healthy.

Nigel Strongman 022 670 1549

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## Patchwork & Quilters

By Sue Smith

At the end of July we had Delys from Tea Time Quilts, Whitianga, bring a pop up store to us. It gave us all a chance to see what she sells and purchases were made.



Zippered Pea Pods

At the beginning of August a group of us headed to Ngatea Hall to the Exhibition & Peninsula Day hosted by Patchwork Unlimited Turua for our yearly get together. Each of the peninsula patchwork groups do a "Show & Tell" and we share a lunch. Guest speaker this year was Lois Parish Evans who talked about her creative journey. Her work was incredible. Merchants were there to for us to make more purchases.

At the next meeting Sharon showed us how to make Zippered Pea Pods. A bit of a fun day. Thank you Sharon.

After the inspiration from Peninsula Day those who go on the Quilt Craft Trail in August are bound to come back with goodies for their projects.

We meet at the St John Ambulance Rooms on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. Feel free to call in and see what we are up to. Contact – President, Fiona Neal 027 373 6991 or Secretary, Tina Hvidberg Pedersen 021 594 706

## Coromandel Family Health Centre

Kia ora e te iwi. We hope you're all keeping warm this mild winter.

We've had lots of changes at Coromandel Family Health Centre and Colville Health Clinic!

Our long-term nurses turned nurse practitioners have moved on to new challenges.

Sonia Wirihana-Tawake worked with us for 24 years moved on at Matariki to be in Australia with her husband.

Sonia is a compassionate, skilled professional and her dedication made her such a valued member of our team.

It feels like part of the furniture is missing!

We wish her all the best in the outback with all the bats and snakes. Ka kite Son!

Keely McSweeney worked with us over 12 years and has now moved on to other challenges. Keely's kindness complimented her expertise, and she always went above and beyond for her patients.

Her ability to connect with everyone will be sorely missed.

All the best Keels, please pop in with a cake from time-to-time haha!

With Nurse Prescriber Talei Russek on maternity leave we have Nurse Katie McGregor joining us, she will be a great asset with her community nursing background.

### ECPs

A new Extended Care Paramedic (ECP) initiative has been launched in Coromandel in response to community-identified health needs developed through locality planning and partnerships. This initiative has given opportunity to work in our clinics under the GPs supervision to learn the structure of primary care.

We hope you all enjoy having Tom and Amelia helping you.

### Colville

Colville Clinic is trialling new opening hours, Wednesdays 8.30am-4.30pm with Dr Alex Mcleod, a paramedic and health care assistant. Mondays and Fridays as necessary by appointment only. All calls will be forwarded to the Coromandel clinic out of these hours

### Scripts

As we are back to GPs doing scripting, we would prefer to have each GP do their own patients' scripts, when possible, therefore please order in advance with a minimum of three working days to spare.

### Online Portal My Indici

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# Our Coromandel

News from Thames-Coromandel District Council



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## Ariki Tahī wharf upgrade set to start later this year

A \$21.95 million upgrade to increase commercial berths and create a separated recreational facility at Ariki Tahī Sugarloaf wharf is set to begin construction in late 2024.

The project is being funded by \$19.95 million from central government's Provincial Growth Fund and \$2 million from Waikato Regional Development Fund.

McConnel Dowell and their design partners and are currently working on the first stage of the wharf upgrade, which will separate recreational and commercial activities.

Applications for further investment to develop land-side aquaculture activities



and roading infrastructure will also be prepared later this year.

Ariki Tahī Sugarloaf Wharf is jointly owned by Thames-Coromandel District Council, Coromandel Marine Farmers Association, and the Crown.

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



Coromandel - Colville Community Board UPDATE

A word from our Board Chair Gavin Jeffcoat



"Good to see the upgrade to Ariki Tahī Sugarloaf wharf should be underway before the end of this year. The increased commercial capacity will bring some tangible benefits for our local economy, with green-lipped mussel volumes potentially doubling by 2040. Council has public feedback underway for two bylaws, including a replacement for the 2014 Parking Control Bylaw which proposes to create parking zones for boat trailer parking. Have your say at [tcdc.govt.nz/consultations](http://tcdc.govt.nz/consultations) Coming up next month is the iconic annual Coromandel Open Studios Arts Tour. We live in such a vibrant and creative 'hood, so be sure to get out there and meet some of our talented artists." [gavin.jeffcoat@council.tcdc.govt.nz](mailto:gavin.jeffcoat@council.tcdc.govt.nz)

News in brief

At its last meeting, the Coromandel-Colville Community Board received its final capital expenditure (capex) works programme for the 2023/24 financial year:

- Streetlight renewals and footpath improvements were completed on target.
- A procurement plan and tender documents were being drafted for the Coromandel Mountain Bike Park public toilet. This is a multi-year project and the contract for the work is scheduled to be awarded in this quarter of the new 2024/25 financial year.

**The Board's next meeting is on Tuesday 18 September 2024**, at 9am, 355 Kapanga Road. Agendas are at [tcdc.govt.nz/meetings](http://tcdc.govt.nz/meetings) or watch the meetings at [youtube.com/c/ourcoromandel](https://youtube.com/c/ourcoromandel)

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## LOCAL ARTISTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Coromandel is famous for its creative people so keep your calendar free for the annual Coromandel Open Studios Arts tour early next month. Held over the first two weekends of October, more than 30 local artists from jewellers to painters will open their studios for you to visit on a free, self-guided tour.

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## Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild

By Heather Arthur

With the cooler days upon us it's the perfect reason to stay inside and get those almost finished projects done and on display.

The biennial conference of the NZ Embroiderers Guild in Dunedin was attended by four representatives from our guild. After official duties were attended to, they went on to enjoy a great variety of embroidery classes. Each guild in the country had an embroidery display along with their local banner. We enjoyed a rundown of their experiences and catching up with the work they participated in, some of which you see in the photos.

The next class offered to our members in August is "Wild Pots" tutored by Ailie Snow. Ailie said these pots surfaces are deeply distressed and manipulated fabrics which are then embellished with stitch. It should be exciting for the creative amongst us.

Then in early September, our own Lettecia Williams offers a contrasting workshop of traditional needle lace embroidery called Aemilia Ars which is often referred to as "stitch in the air"... very fine and beautiful work. We look forward to bringing photos from both these workshops.

We certainly do have a fantastic variety of stitching to offer, so if any of these piques your interest come and check us out at St Johns rooms 1st Wednesday of the month 10am. You can also see our members' work on Facebook, Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild.



Judy Russell's Thistle



Coromandel Guild's display of pincushions & key rings



## Coromandel Lions

By Mary Farmer, Vice President

Hi all.

I hope this article finds you all well and warm. My it's been chilly the last week or so, but August is the last month of winter so we should be seeing the last of the winter temperatures (well I'm a born optimist).

On the subject of warmth I've been asked by Sue Hughes who is in charge of the wood orders that we have come to the end of our dry wood for this year, but we need orders now for next year's deliveries. It's never too soon to get yours in so please please ring Sue on 021 142 1124. We are well into double figures so don't get left out in the cold.

We had a great working bee last week, delivered the last two orders and gave Joan Knudsen a surprise with a birthday cake. I'll keep your age a secret as a lady never tells.

We all had an amazing lunch at Weta, thank you Joan, it was a pleasure to see such a wonderful lady so happy.

At our dinner meeting on 7 August we welcomed a new member Robyn Cooley. Robyn is no stranger to the life of a Lion as her father Colin was president of Howick lions and along with his wife June and Robyn's brother (sorry your name has escaped me) were there to enjoy her night. Welcome to Coromandel Lions Robyn, I know you will find a whole new group of friends and work alongside us (she's already a wizz at bagging wood).



Joan Knudsen with her birthday cake

Also at the dinner we welcomed John Pedersen. John is region 3 chairman and he was not only able to induct Robyn but give long service clips to three of our members: Tim



From left to right: Sue Hughes president, Robyn Cooley, her mother June and father Colin

Moss with 40 years, Rick Ward 15 years and Rick's son Samuel 10 years, I'm sure they will wear their clips with pride. Thank you all for all the hard work you have put into the club.

This just leaves me to say keep warm stay safe and enjoy the daffodils that are popping up – a true sign that spring is on the way.

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## Coromandel Garden Circle

By Natalie Blasco

We had quite a full house for our August meeting, with 39 members plus one guest (Catariina) and we welcomed three new members: Jeannie, Lorraine C and Liz.

Member Glenise agreed to give us a talk. First it was to be about mussels, but then it was to be about her holiday in Western Australia. It turns out many of us are aware of our lack of knowledge about mussels, and though she thought it wasn't such an interesting subject, she agreed to talk about both!

Glenise started working with mussel spat in 2000. It was identified that Northland spat had a disease from an alga, *Gymnodinium catenatum*, a cyst that doesn't hurt them but is a haemolytic toxin to humans. She tested samples from 90-Mile Beach to see if the spat, which is like black specks of sand, is clean and healthy enough to grow on mussel ropes. In 2001 a machine was invented to clean the spat. Glenise would inspect samples for cleanliness and Ag NZ keeps monitoring it even today, as the cysts are still present in seaweed.

There is a great deal more we would like to learn about our local mussel industry, so another talk may eventually be scheduled.

As for that holiday, Glenise then spoke about her time in Western Australia... long drives... pinnacles... quokkas... lobsters... flies... Pink Lake... rock wallabies... value added by having a knowledgeable tour guide... dolphins... iron ore... stromatolites... dinosaur footprints... speedy whale sharks... boab trees... Horizontal Falls... frangipani. There is a lot to see and do in Western Australia!

We also had a follow-up chat about our Sales Table and items – usually plants and produce – that might not have sold by meeting's end. Our convenor, Kath, checked to see if CILT would like the produce for their food parcels, but our meeting occurs after their parcels are distributed. But this is a reminder to those out there who might be fortunate enough to have excess fruit or veges, to contact CILT to see if they can use what you've got. I've occasionally noticed citrus fruits on the ground under people's trees and it's certainly better



to share it than toss it. And if CILT can't use it, you can always put them on the sharing shelves at the Community Garden.

First-place competition winners: Single – Annette S; Multi – Annette S; Mini – Medrina; Arrangement (Flexible Flax) – Medrina; Special (Fragrance) – Linda W.

As spring approaches, it's a good time to remember to make up some guava moth recipe. Put it in small plastic bottles with a small hole in the upper half and hang on every second fruit tree at around head height. Mix together ¾ C apple cider vinegar, ¼ C golden syrup or brown sugar, 1 tsp bleach, 5 C water. Dump and refresh monthly. The moths are active year-round and go after every kind of fruit and nuts. This formula is indiscriminate and will catch other insects, even wetas, so keep the hole small.

As always, if you'd like to join us for a visit, you're most welcome to do so.

Next meeting: **Wednesday 11 September** at The Club.

Activity: Garden Ramble: four gardens in Greenhills; meet in Club carpark by 12.50pm to drop off competitions and afternoon tea, and to organise into carpools to depart at 1pm.

Arrangement: Belated Father's Day; Special: Clashing Colours.

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## Saturday Market in Coromandel

After a busy summer season and well-deserved winter break, the Coromandel Community Market is back, starting on **Saturday 14 September**. Market day is moving from Friday to Saturday this year, to allow weekend visitors and working folk the chance to visit and enjoy the event as well. Being a weekend day, the new hours will be 9am to 1pm. In the past the market start date was in early October; this it has been pushed forward by a couple of weeks to get spring seedlings and plantings under way as well as to capture school holiday visitors.

Recent years have seen our little market grow, now showcasing an interesting variety of homegrown produce, local artisans' creations, health and wellbeing solutions and much more. We are offering a safe, relaxed and friendly community space, where people can catch up with friends, sit down with food, enjoy the music and the wonderful, vibrant atmosphere in Coromandel Town.

The ethos of our Coromandel Community Market, selling home grown and self-produced, is our core value and will remain the same going forward. We also prefer to be as plastic free as possible and refrain from retailing imported, mass-produced wares.

New stallholders are welcome, especially with spray free homegrown produce, plants and food products. Our commissions table will be set up as in previous years, and for a small commission we will sell on your behalf.

Come on down to the market, pick up your local produce, have a bite to eat, maybe a late breakfast, brunch or early lunch, have a chat or introduce your visitors to what homegrown Coromandel has on offer.

The market venue is right in the heart of Coromandel Town, opposite the Four Square supermarket, just look for the flags and gazebos.

For bookings, or more information, please contact 0211 596 487 or [susanna.borgstede@gmail.com](mailto:susanna.borgstede@gmail.com)

## Coromandel-Colville Business Association

By Glenys Carr

### Business Network Meeting in July

The Coromandel-Colville Business Association (CCBA) hosted Jessica Black and Mitch King from the TCDC Economic Development Team at our July public network meeting. Also attending were Mayor Len Salt and TCDC Councillor and Community Board Member John Morrissey.

Mitch and Jessica explained the role of the Economic Development Team in promoting business development and growth in our region. The ED team supports community organisations with new initiatives and helps them to develop support infrastructure for their projects.

Jessica explained the team's wider role as bringing big events to the Coromandel, administering the Peninsula's tracks and trails, and sourcing creative ideas that promote the Coromandel to New Zealand and the World.

All four Council representatives fielded questions about business development in Coromandel Town, primarily concerning resource and building consent processes and delays with TCDC.

Mitch and Jessica return in September with some answers.

Questions were also raised about rejected or stalled projects that would have benefited the town such as the proposed development at Jacks Point and the Blue Highway.

Comments were that councils have become too risk averse and that the role of the council is to serve and enable their region, not hinder its progress.

The CCBA warmly invites members and the community to our **Wednesday 25 September** AGM and meeting to be held at Coromandel Combined Clubs (RSA), Woollams Ave, Coromandel Town at 5pm. We again welcome Mitch King and Jessica Black from the TCDC Economic Development Team. On **Wednesday 30 October** we're hosting the team from SODA Inc. (business mentoring, support and growth), mark your calendars.

For CCBA enquiries call Jeni Ashman (Chair) 021 636 119 or Glenys Carr (Secretary) 027 256 3260





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## A thought for the month of September

From the desk of Father Andy



I wrote last in the Chronicle in June when I was looking forward to a trip to the UK for a conference and a holiday in Europe. It was a super time away enjoying the sun and taking in the sights and sounds and all other delights of France, Spain, Italy and Germany. I stood in awe and wonder at the amazing works of architects, builders and stonemasons from the past and the present including some fine churches, cathedrals and basilicas richly decorated with frescos, stained glass windows, statues and paintings.

All sorts of people have visited these places over the centuries and have been moved by their beauty and the sense of mystery they create, reminding us of the “other worldliness” of life and the human need to get caught up in something beyond themselves and the things of which we are familiar.

Now I'm back in Coromandel Town and I am so aware of the richness of the community life we have here and the place that our little, wooden Anglican Church building and the community that meet there week in and week out has contributed to that richness. The walls of Christ Church on Tiki Road are soaked with the prayers of the faithful, the joys, hopes, the sorrows and the disappointments that people have experienced and have brought to that sacred space over the years and whilst we do not possess the fine artworks that I saw on my travels, whilst our building is simple, the spirit and the love of God shared there is present to touch and transform human lives, and all that is familiar, routine and mundane.

We are having a recruitment drive at the moment because sadly we have too many empty seats when we gather on Sunday mornings at 10am so please do be assured of the warmest of welcomes if you choose to come and share an hour with us followed by a fulfilling Morning Tea at 11am. As the year draws on we are planning on having a “Blessing of Pets” service in October to coincide with St Francis's Day and a Thanksgiving service for our departed loved ones in November.

I hope that as spring approaches with signs of hope and new life that your days will be blessed with joy and happiness.

## Grey Power Coromandel Inc

By Patricia Whimp



We have had two interesting speakers to our July and August gatherings. In July, we had Pauline Stammers who spoke about her time working with the Thames Treasury as she was researching for her Great-Grandfather. The journey has taken her all around the peninsula researching and recording gravestones for the Treasury. Pauline has explored her genealogy through documents held at the Treasury as well as using Paper Past and Ancestry.

The Treasury holds historical information, be it photos, newspapers, school records, mining information, ships details amongst other things. Currently, unfortunately the Treasury is closed due to financial constraints. If you have old family records that you do not want to keep anymore, contact the Treasury or Pauline 027 432 3540 who will collect and take for storage.

For our August meeting, the speaker was Abby Morgan from the Coromandel Area Committee of Hato Hone St John. Abby discussed how the Area Committee is the link between Hato Hone St John community programmes and the local community and is also able to facilitate the delivery of community programmes like First Aid courses, 3 Steps For Life, Caring Callers and Medical Alarms etc.

Abby answered questions about the history of the Coromandel Ambulance station and talked about how the service has grown from a local community-based operation to how it operates now as part of the wider Hauraki Coromandel district. We learnt that we have ambulances based at the larger towns around the peninsula that rotate around the district to wherever they are needed providing emergency ambulance cover 24/7. Locally in our community, this is also supported by First Responder volunteers and our local PRIME service provided by Coromandel Family Health.

Abby also discussed with our members that “use it or lose it” and balancing are important to keeping the ambulance at bay! Keep up with the exercise for a well “balanced” life and reducing the chances of falling.

### Who and what is Grey Power?

I am regularly asked who and what is Grey Power. Grey Power New Zealand Federation started in February 1986 by a group of Auckland-based superannuitants in protest against the New Zealand Government's proposal to apply a surcharge on pensions. The original group was known as the “Auckland Superannuitants Association”. Association meetings began to draw media attention, raising national awareness of the group. Similar organisations began to form across the country, leading to the creation of the merged Grey Power New Zealand Federation. The scope of the organisation broadened to concern itself with other issues facing the over-50 population, including health care and subsidies.

Here in Coromandel Colville Ward, we have approximately 190 members with several new members in the last month. We have a coffee morning and a membership meeting alternate months with speakers from around the district. The next coffee meeting is **Tuesday 17 September** at the Coromandel Bowling Club at 10.30am.

If you would like to know more about Grey Power Coromandel, please don't hesitate to contact us. We can email membership forms and past newsletters if this would interest you.

President – Brian 027 319 0172 (beeandgee@hotmail.co.nz), Vice-President – Barbara O'Reilly 027 209 8595 (bor375@gmail.com) or Membership Secretary – Carol 021 081 66129 (carolcarson@xtra.co.nz) or myself 0274 985 227 (greypowercoro@outlook.com)

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## Combined Clubs of Coromandel

By Maureen Kimber

The Annual General Meeting held on 20 July had a very successful record turnout of members. The following officers were elected: President – Steve Walters; Vice-President – John Gaffikin-Cowan; Secretary – Maureen Kimber; Treasurer – Vi King; Club Manager – Kate Turner; Bar Manager – Paddy Donovan.

Plus two representatives each from the RSA and the Bowling Club.

The above officers were elected to the committee and carried unanimously.

Steve gave a vote of thanks to outgoing executives Linda Wright and Jim Dicks for all the work and commitment they have given to CCC over the past years.

## RSA

### Chanuk Bair – A field too far

The attempted capture of Chanuk Bair on 8 August 1915 underlined the leadership qualities of Lieutenant-Colonel William Malone. An English-born Taranaki lawyer/farmer at 56 years of age showed no sign of being worried by age.

He drove his men of the Wellington Battalion hard but with a fierce interest in their welfare and insisted that they attack after nightfall, as the first assault by day had failed. They captured the highest point of the mountain range – Chanuk Bair – and after two days of fierce fighting fought off wave after wave of attack. By the morning of 10 August Colonel Malone was killed on the summit and relieving British troops were unable to hold the position.

779 New Zealanders were killed and only 70 survived that assault.

Malone's central role in that battle eventually won by the Turks made him all too conveniently a scapegoat when it became time to apportion blame. Very little is recorded later about him but there is a mention in the Field of Remembrance in Gallipoli.

When Corporal Cyril Basset, who was awarded a Victoria Cross for laying a telephone line to Chunuk Bair in full daylight, he made the following statement that sums up the whole episode: "All my mates got were wooden crosses".

## Coromandel Bowling Club

By Judy Campbell

On 18 July, 18 of our club members travelled over to Mercury Bay to play the 2nd of the Winter Cup Challenges.

Both the Coromandel and Mercury Bay clubs started off this 2nd challenge level with 12 wins each but unfortunately, by the end of the day, the Coromandel teams could not add enough wins to beat Mercury Bay overall so they now hold both the Summer and Winter Cups for the season. Well-done Mercury Bay. Everyone that played though had a great day and Mercury Bay, as usual were great hosts.

It's been a while since some of us have actually sent up a bowl so I know many of our members will be looking forward to the start of the 2024-2025 season.

Our Opening Day is on **Thursday 5 September** 9am followed by our first Sunday rollup for the season on **Sunday 8 September** at 1pm. Names have to be in no later than half an hour before the games start.

Our first Open Optional Triples Tournament, sponsored by the Top Pub Coromandel Hotel, will be held on **Thursday 19 September**. That's always a good day to look forward to.

We have a few tournaments coming up as well in October with the first being the Junior Optional Triples Tournament, sponsored by the Coromandel Pipeline Hose Shop on **Wednesday 2 October**. I know our juniors (year 1-5 bowlers) are looking forward to this and we thank our first time sponsor Coromandel Pipeline Hose Shop for supporting this new event.

I had hoped to report on the Short Form Bowls "qualifying event" which was held for Thames Valley Junior Bowlers at the Whangamata Bowling Club on 18 August but I will follow up on that in the October Chronicle article now.

If you are interested in lawn bowls then please feel free to come down to the club on a Thursday morning or a Sunday afternoon. The club and bar are also open on a Friday from 3pm for a coaching session and a social game or two.

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Coromandel Winter Cup Team



Mercury Bay President holding the Winter Cup

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## Car Club

By Bruce Finan

Hi to all our car club members, over 70 of us now meet regularly on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Club room in Woollams Avenue and also for our popular Sunday lunch runs.

Our 3rd Annual Car Fair is on **2 February 2025**, so keep the date available.

I have noticed some new classics around town lately – a Red RTR Mustang, a "woode" old Hudson/Essex and silver Corvette Stingray – I am sure these are local cars.

Many thanks, Bruce Finan 027 249 0878

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## Dances of Universal Peace

By Sue Gilmer

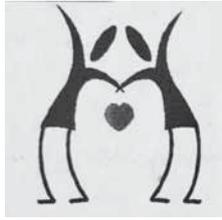
Three months ago, Ursula, a very special lady visiting from Germany, had a birthday – one of those big 0 ones. Knowing that she enjoyed both song and dance, I offered to lead a Dances of Universal Peace morning. People asked if we could do another, and so, from this birthday gathering, a regular monthly session of Dances of Universal Peace, otherwise known as DUP, is now taking place.

DUP was brought into being by Samuel L Lewis. A charismatic mystic, lovingly known as Sufi Sam, he chose, instead of the family wealth, to devote his life to the study of theosophy, Eastern religions, and the mystical side of his own religion, Judaism. He became a Zen master, deeply steeped in many Spiritual traditions. Sam lived and worked amongst the hippies and drug addicts of San Francisco during the 60's. He just knew that there was "a better way of getting high". And so the dances were born. Sung in many languages, from America to Russia, Bosnia to Germany, from The Czech Republic to New Zealand, they quickly spread around the world.

Dances of Universal Peace are a spiritual practice in motion. Drawing on phrases of many traditions, they are sacred and totally multicultural and nonsecular. We dance in song, we dance in silence. We join hands and dance to the sound of the guitar or to the beat of the drum. One dance may embrace the earth energies, the next may come from the Sufi or perhaps the Buddhist tradition. One may be energetic and boisterous, another inward and silent. But what all dances have in common is the ability to bring us into our own heart space. Into a place of acceptance of each other and into acceptance of ourselves. This is where true Peace lies.

If you feel drawn to connect with like minded souls, you are welcome to join us in The Pyramid. We dance the 3rd Friday of the month starting at 10.30am.

Please feel free to phone me on 022 159 1571 if you want to know more



## Pestie Corner

By Amy English of Peninsula Pest Services



As I write this I am looking forward to the longer, warmer days of spring, of which we are hopefully starting to enjoy. With this much anticipated change of season inevitably comes an increase in insect activity, both pests and non-pests alike. This is due to two main factors, the rise in temperature and daylight hours, and the availability of food/pollination sources.

Increased temperature can affect different insects in different ways. Although many of our pest insects are still active year-round (like ants and cockroaches), we tend to see an increase in their visible activity during the warmer months. This is mainly because insects are cold blooded, and their body temperature is regulated by their environment. They take advantage of the warmer weather and increased daylight hours to forage, build/find habitats and breed. The warmer temperatures can also increase both their metabolic rate (meaning they need more to eat, hence more foraging) and their reproductive rates. Springtime sees the hatching of eggs that were laid at the end of the last summer season in some species, while others have been dormant or hibernating and now need to restock their nest/colony to ensure survival. Others, like midges, have the ability to suspend development, and only emerge when the conditions are just right.

Although we see peak numbers of most insects during the summer months, springtime can be an effective time to have your house treated to keep the worst at bay (we are taking bookings now!). As with all pests, other preventative measures can also go a long way in helping to decrease the suitability of your house as a harbourage for most insects. These include keeping plants and trees near the house trimmed and tidy, reducing stagnant water sources, keeping food sources & rubbish to a minimum by tidying up, sealing open food packets & regularly wiping down surfaces.

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## The Colville Project

Thank you to August's volunteers!



### Research and Data Collection

Big shout out to Rachel Wills who's joined the team as a volunteer researcher and data gatherer – an essential role in continuing to keep the Project current and telling our community's stories. Thanks Rachel for stepping into this role, we really value your input.

### Mapping out the Concept Plan

Appreciation abounds for advice and brain-storming provided by experienced builder Tom van Dort who, with TCP team-members, braved rain-squalls and icy temperatures to map out the concept plan as a part of our final review process.



Team members map out the concept plan

### Concept Plan Advisory Group

We are incredibly grateful to the following professionals who provided invaluable advice and guidance during the final review of our concept plan. Their expertise has been instrumental in supporting our decision-making process as we prepare for resource consent, ensuring the project stays true to its Design and Development Principles and delivers sustainable benefits for our community: James Wallace, architect, Studio Pacific Architecture, Wellington, ([www.studiopacific.co.nz](http://www.studiopacific.co.nz)); Alex Reiche, environmental scientist, The Building Excellence Group, Auckland, ([www.bxg.co.nz](http://www.bxg.co.nz)); Amelia Wilson and Adriaane Fourie, architect and project manager

and quantity surveyor, respectively, Box, Auckland, (<https://box.co.nz>).



Thanks again James, Alex, Amelia, and Adriaane for your dedication and expertise! Our advisory group

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## Real Estate Matters

By Glenn Wells - Licensed Agent

### Q: I have a pre-approved loan from the bank. Can I safely make an unconditional offer on the purchase of a property?

A: There are a couple of very important matters to consider before making that unconditional offer.

Once you sign an unconditional offer, it gets accepted by the vendor, you are bound by the agreement, there is usually no way out. Often an unconditional offer is presented unconditional in all respects, including acceptance of the title. Your lawyer has no ability to search the title. If buying a cross lease or similar this is of major concern for your protection. Safety first.

Be sure of any conditions the bank may have imposed on the loan. For example the bank may be required to approve the property you purchase. They may need to know: Is it monolithic or weatherside cladding? Is the LIM clean? Are all the plumbing applications approved by the local council? Are there any modifications made that are not council approved or even notified, like showers or toilets etc.? There are rules around non compliant add ons in the home. Failure to notify the lender could amount to fraud. Or is there an inability to insure the loan and or the home? Due to the age or another matter the bank may require a building report to satisfy their approving the loan.

If you are looking to purchase at an auction for example, the bank usually prefers to see all the paperwork and sometimes a building report before approving you to purchase that specific property. The loan would then be specific to that property. The bank would advise you of the limit they are prepared to loan to you on that specific home or property.

Before jumping into an unconditional offer – have you spoken to your lawyer? The lawyer may wish to check the terms of your loan along with the documents pertaining to the property.

I would encourage you, that any offer that is being written up to be perused by your lawyer prior to signing, conditional or unconditional. Some properties have a list of disclosures given out when viewing or prior to making an offer. I would suggest that any lender would be wanting to see the list prior to finance being granted.

Remember this is a huge commitment you are taking on. We all have different levels of risk that we are prepared to accept. However when utilising a lender's finance, they decide on how much risk is acceptable for the release of the funds.

In the heat of emotions when we see something we really like, we are vulnerable to overlooking things because we just want it. Hence needing to make sure we understand the terms of the pre approval document.

Checking the Real Estate Authority web page before entering into a contract is another safety factor. Check your rights and if you have everything required before writing up that offer. Speak to the lawyer or experienced family members. It is easy to sign an offer, but can be very difficult and sometimes impossible to get out of the contract, especially when making an unconditional in all respects offer.

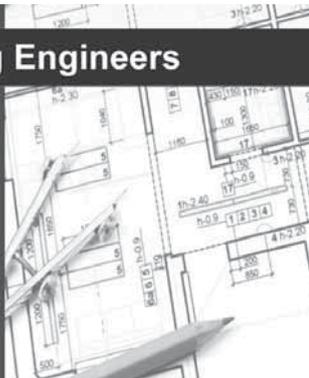
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## Mana

Hello Coromandel community.

This article commemorates a special part of Mana's history – Tara School.

### A Celebration of Tara School Reunion

Over 25 years ago, there once was a beautiful school close to Mana called Tara School. With the vision to create an alternative education, it first opened its doors in 1992, adopting a Steiner based curriculum and attracting Steiner trained teachers. Throughout the years, the school expanded from just nine children in 1992 to a peak enrollment of 36 children.

Although small in size, it thrived as a close-knit community, with numerous teachers passing through and strong support from parents. Many families moved to the area to enroll their children and some of these families continue to reside in the Coromandel. Following the parent's choice to relocate to the Coromandel township, Tara School closed its doors to the public in December 2000.

### Tara School Reunion

On **Wednesday 9 October**, we are having a Tara School reunion. If you are an old student of Tara School, a parent or teacher, this is an opportunity to reconnect. Venue: Mana Retreat Centre. Time: 9am-4pm. Optional lunch \$30 adult, \$15 child, under 5 free. Please RSVP to [marketing@manaretreat.com](mailto:marketing@manaretreat.com) or visit our website <https://manaretreat.com/event/tara-school-reunion>.

“May the buildings of Tara School, now known as Dharma Gaia continue to serve us all to find our true nature through the exploration and awakening of consciousness and mindful living” – Rainer and Shanti Huebner, founders of Tara School.

### Community Classes at Mana

Monthly Group Meditation – Come along and join Amrit each month for Community Group Meditation sessions which include simple meditation techniques supported by yoga asanas (postures), pranayama (breathing exercises) and walking meditation.

Upcoming dates: **Tuesday 3 September**, 5-6pm, by koha, no bookings required and all are welcome.

Open Floor Dance Classes – Open Floor is a lively dance and movement practice that energises the body and opens the heart. We simply show up and move with whatever is present. Upcoming dates: **Tuesday 3 and 17 September**, 9.45-11.45am, sliding scale \$15-20, no experience required, just turn up on the day.

Arohanui – The Mana Team

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## Coromandel Museum of Mines

by Maureen Kimber

How lucky we have been with so many dry and sunny days this winter as it is always difficult to organise outside working bees in advance!

There are a lot of changes afoot at our Museum and one plan is to display more of the large exhibits outside – to this end, we had a working bee on 10 August to dig out 2 new areas in readiness for concreting. The attached photo shows the great response we had from members and friends – Gary, John, Kate, Richard and Martin (plus one more member who left before the photo shoot!) arrived with spades, wheelbarrow and trailer. The work was completed in 90 minutes, almost before I arrived at 11.30 am with morning tea. The concreting has now been done, thanks to Lindsay Hay. As you know, the Museum is closed during the winter and a lot of work has been carried out in the foyer and an attractive new welcome area to display our proposed merchandise for sale.

On **Sunday 29 September** we are holding an Open Day for the public to celebrate the 70th birthday of the Museum in style, with balloons, tea and cake, live music and a possible blacksmith display with a working forge. Everyone is invited to come along between 2pm and 4pm to enjoy the tea party and re-discover our local heritage.

As part of our proposed rolling displays in the main room we are starting our 70th birthday display featuring items from the 1950s. If you still have iconic items from that era (and who hasn't) we would love to borrow them for display purposes for a couple of months – please contact Denise on 022 426 9124. We will look after the items and return them once the display is taken down. We are sure that the younger generation will be amazed (and possibly amused) at to what then were normal household items.

The Treasury Heritage Research Centre in Thames, which suspended services in 2023, is joining forces with the Thames School of Mines. This is yet another iconic source of our local history that has a huge appeal to visitors but not so much interest is shown from residents. The building is definitely worth a visit when in Thames. Their AGM is at the end of September so look out for the formal notice.

Maureen Kimber, Secretary 021 025 41216

### UPCOMING RETREATS & EVENTS

Book Online - [www.manaretreat.com](http://www.manaretreat.com)

SEP 4-6	Medical Mindfulness For Health Professionals
SEP 6-8	Yoga Retreat with Juliet Forch
SEP 8-13	A 5-day Mindful Self-Compassion Retreat with Anna Friis and Mara Elwood
SEP 13-15	September Relax and Wellness with The Mana Team
SEP 20-25	Spiraling In, Spiraling Out with Geordie Jahner Module 2
SEP 27-30	Qi Gong with Hedwig
OCT 4-6	October Relax and Wellness with The Mana Team
OCT 11-13	Yoga Retreat with Stella Goetz
OCT 18-20	Bodylight Retreat with Edna Levy
OCT 22-24	Repotted Retreat with Lisa O'Neill

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

Open Floor Community Dance	9.45-11.45am, 3rd & 17th Sep
Community Meditation	5-6pm, 3rd Sep, 1st Oct, 5th Nov, 3rd Dec
Tara School Reunion	9 Oct - please RSVP

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## Mahamudra

By Tim Kay



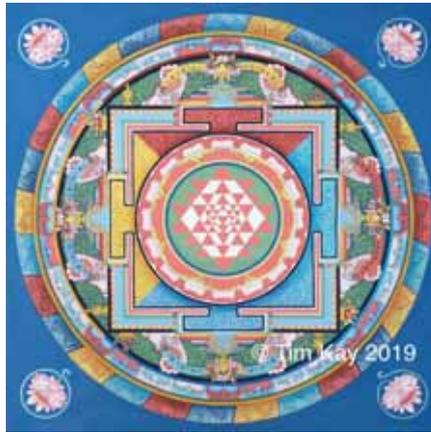
### The meaning of the Mandala

A Mandala is a spiritual and ritual symbol in Hinduism and Buddhism. Dating back to Vedic traditions of ancient India after about 1500 BCE, mandalas are used by practitioners as tools for awakening specific mental qualities. In common use, “mandala” has become a generic term for any diagram, chart or geometric pattern that represents the cosmos metaphysically or symbolically; a microcosm of the universe.

Tibetan Buddhist and Hindu Mandalas represent an envisaged abode of enlightened energy. Each specific mandala represents a particular aspect of awakened consciousness, and is associated with a particular deity or sacred symbol in Hindu and Buddhist practice.

The central design of this traditional Mandala is of the Shri Yantra, a form of mystical diagram used in Hindu Tantra. The interlocking triangles create a geometric architecture that represents the cosmic union of archetypal Masculine and Feminine energy.

I learned the elements and iconography represented in this Mandala during a period studying the Newari style of sacred iconography, a tradition of painting found



Shri Yantra mandala by Tim Kay

in the lineages of artisans based in the Kathmandu valley in Nepal; traditions kept alive today by painters whom I have had the opportunity to study closely with.

The pigments used in this Mandala are derived from rare stone and natural sources, including Lapis Lazuli from Afghanistan, and the creation of these pigments from stone to paint also follow time-honored traditions of craftsmanship that I also learned during my studies in Nepal.

The canvas used is also handcrafted following traditional methods. The canvases used in painting sacred art of this kind are of a very high quality, with the surfaces of the canvas ‘smoothed’ to a silk-like finish which allows for ultra-fine brush strokes to be applied in creating the intricate elements

of this style of Mandala design.

Mandalas of this kind take weeks to create, from initially crafting the canvas, to the final application of the natural pigments, and require a level of both skill in application and craftsmanship, as well as a proper understanding of the elements represented and their spiritual and sacred meaning and value.

I consider myself very fortunate to have been invited to study the process of creating traditional Mandalas and other forms of iconography painting, and I honor the sacred element integral in these images by only offering my artworks to those who also have an understanding of how they are to be used and valued.

With love from the Mahamudra team.

## Coromandel Contract Bridge

By Judy Bronlund

We have been playing with 2½ tables and it is working well, thanks to Jan for organising the evenings. Don't forget to register your interest in lessons as we have room for more members. We play on a Monday evening at the St John rooms. Visitors to our town are most welcome to join us, please let Jan know before 3pm so that she can fit you in.

Contacts Jan (07) 866 8341 or 027 478 8839, Jackie 021 061 6876

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CONDITIONS APPLY

## Hon Scott Simpson MP For Coromandel



Last month Transport Minister Simeon Brown visited Thames to announce that three bridges across the electorate will be replaced. These are the SH25 Pepe Bridge, SH25 Ramarama Stream Bridge and SH27 Ohinekaua Stream Bridge.

I was thrilled he confirmed that the Pepe Bridge in Tairua will be replaced by a modern, two-lane bridge. It won't solve all the traffic issues which affect the Peninsula during the peak summer season, but it is very welcome news for locals and those visitors wanting to take a break on the Coromandel. There's always more to be done across our region's state highways and I'll continue to advocate that all the one-lane bridges in our electorate should be replaced over time.

Simeon Brown also announced that another \$21 million is going to be invested across the electorate on SH25, SH25A, SH26, and SH2. This funding will allow NZTA to repair under and over slips, fix culverts and drainage, and ensure there is clean fill capacity on either side of the Coromandel Peninsula after our existing facilities were fully consumed after last year's weather events.

In other news, the tax relief announced last year and confirmed in Budget 2024 has finally come into effect. This is the result of adjusting the personal income tax thresholds to reflect the pressures brought by inflation. In effect, this means that anyone earning over \$14,000 will pay less tax.

The average income household now receives up to \$102 more a fortnight, which will be a relief to those struggling with the cost of living. It means more money to spend on groceries, petrol, and other necessities. Additional support is available for young families through the FamilyBoost package, which helps eligible families with childcare costs up to \$150 per fortnight.

I'm proud to be part of a government which is delivering meaningful policies both here in the Coromandel electorate and across the country.

## Library News

By Paul Lawrence

The library held its AGM on 15 August. The only change to the officers is the appointment of Christine Wells as our new treasurer. Christine has a wealth of experience in both the private and business sectors. We are all looking forward to working with Christine and wish her well in this new position.

Thanks must go to Jim Sharp, our outgoing treasurer, for the time and effort he has put into the role. Jim will remain on the committee, to provide a wealth of expense.

There seems to be some misconception in the area about the type of library we are and where we get our funding.

The Coromandel Community Library, is just that. A community library and as such, are self-funded.

We receive a grant from the Community Board once a year, to help with the cost of running the library. However, because we aren't a district library, operated by TCDC, we need to do our own fundraising. We have looked at the possibility of becoming a district library but in that situation our library would need to be funded by our own ratepayers as no funding would come from other rating areas within the Thames Coromandel region. At this time, we don't have the numbers.

Donations, grants, book sales and the car-boot sale, are what keeps our library doors open.

We have just purchased 35 new books, three of which I will look at today.

**Camino Ghosts** – The latest by John Grisham  
Off the Florida coast lies Dark Isle. An island said to be cursed. Lovely Jackson is the sole survivor and is said to own the island. Unfortunately, there is no proof. Big business wants it, so Lovely has a fight on her hands. With just a pro bono lawyer and a floundering novelist, the fight is on.

**17 Years Later** – J. P. Pomare

From NZ author J. P. Pomare comes the story of murder and intrigue.

After live-in chef Bill Kareama is sent to jail for murder, life carries on. Until 17 years later, true crime podcaster Sloane Abbott tracks down prison psychologist T K Phillips.

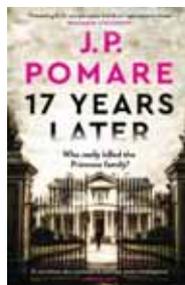
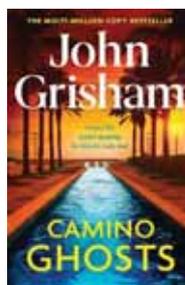
Reluctantly Phillips joins the fight to find out what really happened.

**The Glass Maker** – Tracy Chevalier

Set in Venice 1486, this tells the story of Orsola Rosso, a woman who works with glass to support her family. This must be done in secret as women are not allowed to work with glass.

To be accepted by men, her work must be perfect. We travel with Orsola as she hones her craft through war and plague, tragedy and triumph, love and loss.

The beads she creates adorn the necks of empresses and courtesans across Europe. But respect is something else.



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**CILT**

**Māra Kai & Community Garden Update**

Our first working bee at Te Puāwai – CILT’s native plant nursery – was a success, thanks to the turnout of around 30 volunteers! It was heartwarming to see people of all ages, from rangatahi to kaumātua, come together to support this initiative. Throughout the day, our dedicated group built, painted, and filled the majority of the māra kai (food garden) garden beds, getting them ready for planting. This incredible effort far exceeded our expectations. The garden at Te Puāwai will play a vital role for Coromandel Town.

Te Puāwai is currently establishing its own Māra Kai to provide fresh produce year round for the Coromandel Foodbank and community share shelf. This project will give us the opportunity to honour, learn and share traditional growing practices, while also



improving kai sovereignty and security for our community.

We are also lucky enough to have the Coromandel Community Garden expanding their growing

space to include the raised beds here at Te Puāwai. We will share the new space and work together to maintain and secure this vital resource. This space will be inviting and welcoming to all of our community. The existing community garden will still be maintained and nurtured by the wonderful team of volunteers.

CILT would like to say a massive thank

you to all of those who have supported this project, including those from Kaitiaki Garden Care, Coromandel Community Garden, Thames-Coromandel District Council, Te Korowai Hauora o Hauraki, Healthy Families Te Ngira, Te Kōhao Health and our incredible volunteers. We would also like to thank all those who donated and supplied materials to our plant nursery. Your support made all of this possible!

**Budget Advisory and Foodbank update**

In our ongoing efforts to better serve our community, we are happy to announce that The Coromandel Foodbank has now combined with Coromandel Budget Advisory Service. This integration will allow us to provide more comprehensive support to those in need.

**What this means for you**

Foodbank services are now accessed through the Budget Advisory Service. If you are needing support from our Foodbank, please make an appointment with our amazing budget advisor, Treena. Our combined services will be available Monday to Thursday from 10am to 2pm.

We are committed to making this transition as smooth as possible and continuing to support our community. If you have any questions or need further information, please don’t hesitate to reach out to us.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding as we work together to build a stronger, healthier community.

**Whakapapa Quilt Making with Maungarongo Te Kawa**

We hit the jackpot having the amazing fabric artist, Maungarongo Te Kawa, teach our awesome Te Mana Tangata participants the art of quilting in a fun-filled three-day workshop! Maungarongo, a talented takatāpui fabric artist, educator, and storyteller, brings te ao Māori to life with his vibrant colours, fluid designs, and contagious



humour. His stunning works are featured in top collections like Christchurch Art Gallery Te Puna o Waiwhetū, the Dowse Art Museum, and the University of Auckland Waipapa Taumata Rau.

Maungarongo, or “Ron”, turned the hall into a lively, creative haven with his energy and humour. His storytelling quilts dazzled everyone, sparking inspiration and encouraging participants to weave their own stories in fabric. With his “no one way, no rules” mantra, a mountain of colourful recycled fabrics, a sack of scissors, threads, sparkly bits, and a bunch of sewing machines, Ron showed us simple techniques and handy shortcuts. By day three, everyone had created their own unique fabric story!

Thanks to the Ministry of Culture and Heritage and Creative Communities Scheme for making it possible.



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Te whare ako o te  
Uumangawhaa o Ngaa Waka

*Ka whāngai, ka tupu, ka puāwai/ To  
nurture, to grow, to blossom.*

By Belinda Williams

The months of July and August certainly provided an abundance of rain to nourish our whenua and overflow our water tanks. George and Oaklan took full advantage of this as they discovered the concepts of cause and effect, volume, gravity, flow control and more. Checking to see the level of the water in the tank has become a daily activity and an opportunity to “tap” into their learning interests.

We have managed to venture out into the ngahere a couple of times this month, slipping and sliding our way into a wonder world of nature and peaceful delight. It's lovely to see and hear the bird life, the tui, kereruu and piiwakawaka going about their day up in the trees above us.

As part of my teacher inquiry, I am reflecting on the importances and values of reciprocity and relationships within our preschool. Reciprocity is essentially about kindness, it's the things we do each day to enrich the lives of others. If you would like to read more, please visit our Facebook page Colville Bay Preschool: [www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100071671488182](http://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100071671488182).

We recently said farewell to Emilia and Dustyn who are now expanding their learning at school and we said aroha nui to Mason and his family as they moved away from the area. Hari huri tau ki a Oaklan, Adhara, Taylor and Kelly celebrating their birthdays this term.

We would like to thank Dave from Whiti Tractors for gifting us a leaf blower, and Kath Mikaere from TCDC for the beautiful fruit trees they donated to our preschool. Gifts like these are so very much appreciated, as we are a non-profit, community-based preschool who value and need support like this from our wider communities. If you are in a position to offer support or donate to the sustainability of our much loved preschool please give Esther a call or email, or you can make a donation to: Colville Bay Preschool, Kiwibank 38-9005-0803508-02. Charity number: CC44715. More details on our website.

We have spaces available on our pahi, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday travelling from Coromandel-Colville return for 3+ year-olds. We also have spaces for new tamariki ages 6 months to 6 years four days per week.

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“Bush Kura” adventures continue every Wednesday.

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## Coromandel Youth Group at Hauraki House

After School: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday – 3pm-5pm.  
Coromandel Youth Group is for children aged 5–15yrs.  
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## Coromandel Community Preschool

By Paula Phillips



Kia ora koutou.

Sorry we missed the last issue but what a wonderful educational journey we have had in the months of July and August.

We celebrated Matariki; the Māori New Year, where we came together with our extended whānau, with lots of kōrero, tamariki performing waiata for their audience and then we all shared some kai. This was hugely successful and supported by a large number of whānau. It was wonderful to observe parents and whānau of the children bring in food and supplies for our hangi.

The children sang waiata, danced with poi at our celebration and got the opportunity to spend quality time relaxing and enjoying a feast with their whānau.

Leading up to our Matariki celebration the tamariki had been working hard on making kites, waka, whetu and other creations in celebration. They also made and cooked their own pizza creations on the wood fired pizza oven that they helped to create.

Other areas we have been busy include lots of sand and water experimentation, science experiments, music and dance, and lots of creativity in the arts, painting, drawing and block work.

In early August we welcomed Jenna James to our teaching team, and we love the energy and creativity that she brings.

We welcomed James, Corbyn, Louie, Ezra, Mabel, and Rowen, the teachers and children look forward to sharing in your growth and development.

We celebrated birthdays for, Nia and Nature Huia in July and Karamana, Kahlo, Tiale, Ezra, and Maiara, in August we wish them all very happy birthdays.

We still have some limited spaces available on our “Over 2s” side. Please either call in or contact the office on (07) 866 7570, to speak to us about securing a time for your child.

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Check out our latest Education review on the website: <https://ero.govt.nz/institution/30295/coromandel-community-preschool>.

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## Coromandel Area School

By Oksana Borowik

**Science in Action**  
Helmets on! Safety check! Let science class begin!

As part of the science programme at Coromandel Area School, students in years 9 and 10 had an exciting opportunity to put their physics knowledge to the test at the local Driving Creek Railway Zipline. This

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hands-on experience allowed the students to reinforce their understanding of scientific concepts while having a thrilling time.

During the ziplining adventure, the students actively collected data to calculate the speed at which they were travelling. They were able to apply the concept of speed, which measures the distance an object can cover in a specific amount of time, to their own experience as they zipped through the course.

The school's emphasis on place-based learning was evident in this local adventure, a perfect example of bringing classroom lessons to life in the community. Integrating real-world experiences into the curriculum, students not only gained a deeper understanding of scientific principles but also saw their practical applications in an exciting context.

The school extends its sincere appreciation to Driving Creek Railway for providing this enriching opportunity, allowing students to expand their scientific knowledge in a fun and engaging environment.

#### Student voice

Jaylani – “The zipline was really good, the train ride was so amazing and peaceful and quiet. I learned that I can get over my fear of heights. It made me feel really good, gliding through the air.”

Fayth – “As soon as I got on the train, I felt a rush of excitement for what was



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coming, beautiful views, birds, and forest sounds. When we got to the first zipline it looked so fun and I got impatient so I went first. When I ran off the edge of the deck, I felt so free, however, my stomach did feel weird. I would either laugh or scream it was extremely fun.”

Shaylah – “The zipline was very fun. It was up super high which made it even more exciting. It was very thrilling and fun experience. I learned that I could actually calculate my speed and time from going on a zipline. It made me feel excited and very nervous. I loved the experience overall.”

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# mahi toi ARTS

## WTS Coromandel

By Yvonne Szabo and Amelia Smith



August has been an exciting month for us here at the Shared Studios/Watch This Space programme.

A small group took part in a curating workshop, where we all came away with fresh eyes and ideas in regards to how best to present artworks in a given space. We were encouraged to “try it and see what happens” even when we had pre conceived notions of what may or may not work. Opposites can definitely attract if you just give them a chance!

We also had the second part of our pit firing workshop. 13 of us gathered and set fire to our clay creations after surrounding them with anything and everything from: seaweed, salt, copper wire, banana peels, cow pats, coffee grinds, nut shells, avocado skins.

We shared kai and connected while the fire burnt. Great anticipation ensued the next day as we dug through the ashes to reveal our treasures!

Some truly beautiful, organic and cosmic results were unearthed. Alchemy, weird science, a little bit of magic and a whole lot of excitement was had!

Now we work to bring all of our experiments, processes and imaginings together for our annual exhibition. Nga mihi.



## Pastel Artists Coromandel

By Rosemarie Murphy

This month we have another winner. Kyoko entered her pastel painting “LiuJie” in the Pastel Artists of New Zealand newsletter bi-monthly competition and won a merit for it. The subject was “The face that we love”.

The judge was Maxine Thompson a New Zealand Master pastelist and her comments were, “We look from above onto a mouthwatering subject. The tastiness is highlighted by the colour and light on the cake. It is a pastel drawing more than a pastel painting and there’s nothing wrong with that!”

Well done and congratulations Kyoko.

Pastel Artists Coromandel meet every Wednesday morning from 9.00am until 12.00 noon at Rose’s Studio 860 Tiki Road, Coromandel Town. Call in and have coffee with us.

Contact Allan Beaver Ph (07) 866 8053, Saskia Reimersma 027 296 1670



Kyoko's pastel painting “LiuJie”

## Thames Music Group

### Auckland Youth Orchestra

**Sunday 15 September** 2pm at St George’s Church, Thames. \$20 at the door, TMG members \$15, under 18s free. Experience the thrill of 75 talented young musicians (ages 14-26) performing together with energy, precision and passion!

The Auckland Youth Orchestra presents an exciting symphony concert series. Smetana – Vltava (The Moldau); Dvorak – Slavonic Dance No.2 in E minor, Op.72; Strauss – Till Eulenspiegel; Jenny McLeod – Rock Concerto (soloist: Charles Sang, piano).

### Auckland Youth Choir

**Sunday 22 September** 2pm at St George’s Church, Thames. \$20 at the door; TMG members \$15, under 18s free.

Join us for an engaging choral celebration featuring 120 of Auckland’s finest young singers. Auckland Youth Choir (AYC) will present an afternoon concert of music including its Gold-winning recital from the World Choir Games recently held in Auckland, and the North Island premiere of Elaine Hagenberg’s Illuminare.

AYC is a mixed-voice youth choir from Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland.

AYC singers are aged 16–27 and are primarily university students and young people in the workforce from across the city.

Director David Squire. Asst Director and pianist is Claire Caldwell.



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## Coromandel Open Studios Arts Tour



The Coromandel Open Studios Arts Tour is fast approaching. This is the 18th year of the Arts Tour, which happens on the first two weekends of October every year. This year it falls on **Saturday 5, Sunday 6, Saturday 12 and Sunday 13 October** with an exhibition running the full duration of the nine days at Hauraki House Gallery on Kapanga Road. Over these two weekends 36 local artists will open up their studios to the public so art lovers can go along, view the work, chat to the artists and see the working environment. This is a free, self guided tour and artist guides are now available from the Coromandel Information Centre, The Source, and various outlets across the peninsula. Or a digital version can be downloaded from [www.coromandelartstour.co.nz](http://www.coromandelartstour.co.nz).

There will be an opening night for the tour and exhibition on **Friday 4 October** from 5.30pm. All welcome!

Three of the new artists this year are Rosemarie Murphy, Gini Collin and Ashley Thor.



### Rosemarie Murphy

A retired dairy farmer from Taranaki, Rosemarie is mainly self-taught and has tried acrylic and watercolour painting, pottery and silk dyeing in previous years before settling on the pastel media. She enjoys the feeling of drawing and painting with pure pigment without a brush getting in the way of her fingers. However she will sometimes use pastel pencils to refine the details. She is inspired by the effects of light on her subjects

especially sunlit flowers and the clouds on the Coromandel coast.

Rosemarie is a member of Pastel Artists Coromandel and Pastel Artists of New Zealand (PANZ). She can be found working on her latest piece on most Wednesday mornings at Rose's Studio on Tiki Road.

### Gini Collin

"Art is time spent creating only what I truly love, what inspires me and most importantly, that I may inspire others. To care for our well-being and our environment. Magic happens when we move from the heart."

Hailing from the UK, Gini has a background in window dressing and interior design, which she did as a freelancer in New Zealand from 1981.

## Coromandel Art Group

By Lindsay Nicholls

The group is ticking along nicely and looking forward to our first tutor day at the end of the month. We will be dabbling with airbrushing again this year with Rob.

He is amazing with his work, and with our practise last year I'm sure we'll create some awesome work under his guidance.

Vaughan is also booked in later in year for an acrylic as this was postponed earlier.

Anyone interested in joining our group can contact me or if you would like to come to our tutor days when we have enough spaces let us know.

Contact Lindsay 027 494 9738



Saskia busy working on a pastel drawing

She received a diploma from the Learning Connexion art school in Wellington, and has explored most media and loves texture.

She has more recently been inspired to research and then to create Orgone Technology as a result of the increasing radiation/EMF frequencies that surround us. The pieces incorporate crystals, metals and eco resin, they are both aesthetically pleasing and functional and are finding homes around the world. Her newest creations are memorial and keepsake pyramids incorporating and preserving all that is memorable. These are custom made and she welcomes enquiries.

She also paints and updates wooden furniture.

### Ashley Thor

Ashley has called Coromandel home for 47 years. In the late seventies, at the age of 17, he was lucky enough to work at Barry Brickell's Driving Creek Pottery, spending two years under his tutelage. While there he produced, among other large works, a giant chess set that was purchased by The Waikato Art Museum for their permanent collection. He says what inspires him is to do his art better. He can be found at Fern Lodge for the duration of the Tour along with Genevieve Morley (daughter of potter Ray Morley), and Cindy Alger.



If you would like any further information about the Coromandel Open Studios Arts Tour or any of the featured artists please visit [www.coromandelartstour.co.nz](http://www.coromandelartstour.co.nz) or like the Facebook page, CoromandelArtsTour, for regular updates

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# te taiao ENVIRONMENT

## Driving Creek Conservation Park

By Kate James

Over the last couple of months, we have had an awesome interim employee to cover some staff leave. Abbie Goodin is an experienced trapper and conservationist who travelled to Coromandel from Wairarapa to spend some of her winter tramping through our local bush to install and service traplines. She has worked here before and came back to ensure our pest animal trapping programme carried on seamlessly as two of our team members took well earned holidays.



Abbie with possum

Many native birds like kererū, tūī, grey warbler/riroriro, and fantail/pīwakawaka are getting ready to mate and build nests now. For native bird numbers to increase they need to be able to nest in peace. Pest animal control is more important at this time of year than any other time.

Night-time studies have shown rats and possums harassing native birds to the point of exhaustion then chomping their way through all the eggs and chicks; and if they can catch them, the adult birds too.

You can help by knocking down introduced pest animals at your place this spring. This is the time of year you can have the most effective impact before, and while, the birds are nesting. That means doing pest control now – even a possum trap frequently baited with an apple can make a difference.

Between September and January, a pair of tūī can have two nests of three or four chicks. So, if pest control is kept up, the tūī population can easily at least double before Christmas.

Pīwakawaka are phenomenal breeders, they can have up to five nests over a spring and summer and have three or four eggs per nest and male fantails can start breeding two months after they have left the nest.

But, apart from extreme weather events, its usually cats, rats, stoats, and possums that target nests and keep these, and other bird numbers, low.

Our thanks go out to Abbie for keeping up with our work to help our birds nest in peace.



## MEG

By Steph Parkyn, Acting Communications & Community Engagement

### Thank you Genevieve!

Sadly this month we are saying farewell to Genevieve Morley who is leaving her role as our Communications and Community Engagement Manager. Many of you will have read her articles here in the Chronicle or might have met Gen at some of the amazing summer holiday programme events she organised, or bought a trap from her, or been out on a ginger weeding bash, or taken part in school conservation activities. We've loved her warmth, enthusiasm and creative energy and she's been a great ambassador for our conservation work. Fortunately she's not leaving us completely. She will be continuing to manage the backyard trapping Pateke Project in Coromandel Town.



Genevieve Morley with volunteer Barney Caie

### NZ Mistletoe

Fun fact – did you know Aotearoa has mistletoe? We have several native flowering species and the flowers can be scarlet, yellow, or green and the plants are semi-parasitic, meaning they depend on trees like beech, totara, or kanuka to grow on. Native mistletoe populations have declined since the early 1900s mainly due to possums, vegetation clearance, and reductions in native bird species like tui and korimako that act as pollinators and seed-dispersers. Rats are also suspected of eating mistletoe. One presumed extinct species, Adam's mistletoe, was last seen from around Thames in 1954! If this decline continues, more local populations may disappear and, in the long term, species could go extinct nationwide. We'd love to see mistletoes come back in our MEGa Pest Attack Sanctuary or investigate how we can reintroduce them where we are having good success with our possum control. Watch this space!

### Possum trapping results are in!

In April we recorded 1,000 possums caught in the MEGa Pest Attack Sanctuary in Tangiari/Port Charles over one year, and since then the numbers caught by our NZ AutoTraps AT220s has been steadily dropping with each service, down to 136 this quarter for the 450ha. Is this because we have removed most of the possums? Or are the traps no longer effective? The only way to tell is to monitor possum numbers and we do this in two ways, by using a camera monitoring protocol and by deploying wax tags to see how many are chewed by possums. Wax tag monitoring prior to the trap installation showed an average of 55% of the wax tags were chewed by possums. Six months after installation began, the wax tag index had dropped to 14% and then by a whole year later it had dropped to 2.8%. Now, after 18 months the index is 0%! Only two rats had chewed the wax tags. We know possums will still be out there and constantly trying to reinvade, but this is exciting news that the AT220 self-resetting traps are able to keep the numbers so low. Camera monitoring shows a similar story, with a gradual decline in possum sightings from a 12.8 to 0.5 presence index. Celebrations are in order!

### Winter Lecture on Stoats

Please join us at the Pepper Tree Restaurant 5pm **Sunday 8 September** for our next speaker Emeritus Professor Carolyn King who can tell us all about those stoats, ferrets and weasels that we have to catch to give our birds a chance of survival.

Hope you have a wonderful month. Remember to get in touch if you would like to volunteer. We could have traplines or some other fun job available!

Ngā mihi nui.

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# hākinakina SPORT

## Coromandel Recreational Fishing Club

By Katherine Boyce

Firstly welcome to our new committee: President – Shevana Davies; Secretary – Nikki Stephenson; Treasurer – Sarah Sanders. Committee – Kelly Shaw, Judy Hawkey, Cheryl Schuelke, Stephen Joss, Blair Dance, Margaret Visser, Tyrone Visser.

So we have some fresh new faces and others who have returned from a break and they are excited and rearing to go.

### Fish of the Month

Winner for July snapper went to Blair Dance 1.055kg winning \$100. Junior yellowtail went to Damon Visser 0.080gms winning \$20.

September Fish of the Month is trevally and sprat for Juniors. October Fish of the Month is kahawai and yellowtail for Juniors.

Weigh in your catch at Salty Towers or Coromandel Fish Dive and Hunt.

### Classy Chicks

Classy Chicks is on **Saturday 22 February 2025**. Dressup letter is P so get the girls together and make an early start on your costumes

### Fishing report

If you can brave getting out early on these cold mornings there have been reports of quotas being caught in an hour or so and others who have had not much luck at all. At least there's fewer boats out there at this time of the year and it's always nice to get home and cook a nice feed of fresh fish.

Tight lines and keep safe.

To keep up to date with what we are up to join our Facebook group page "Coro Recreational Fishing Club" or email [coromandelfishingclub@gmail.com](mailto:coromandelfishingclub@gmail.com)

## Coromandel Croquet Club

By Raewyn McKinney



This month the Croquet Club says 'farewell' to Jan and Geoff Linklater, who are heading off to new adventures in Te Puna. We are always sorry to lose members of the club, but we wish Jan and Geoff health and happiness in their new home.

In the meantime, play continues for the rest of us, weather permitting, of course.

We meet on Tuesdays for "association croquet" and Fridays for "golf croquet", both days at 9.45am. We provide all the equipment and a period of coaching before you need to commit to joining the club. Casual players are welcome to come along for a payment of \$5 per day. Anyone who would like to try one or both forms of croquet can call Lyn on 027-4662661 for more information.

The club is situated in Woollams Ave next to the Bowling Club.



## Coromandel Golf Club

By Marilyn MacKenzie, Secretary



We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to the New Zealand Community Trust and their partner venues Star & Garter (Coromandel) and Thames Royal Oak Hotel for their grant to enable us to purchase a new coring machine for the golf course. The new machine will be used on both the greens and fairways renovations and controlling water run off during winter.

The After School Junior Golf Programme is postponed until the wet course conditions improve. We are hopeful to recommence in September!

Tuesday's Ladies Club Day 10am Tee Off.

Wednesday Men's Midweek Club Day 12.30pm Tee Off, Meatpack last Wednesday of the month.

Saturday Members Club Day 12.30pm Tee Off

Affiliated visitors welcomed to all club days. Happy golfing.

For more information phone Marilyn 027 253 7882 or email [coromandelgolfclub@gmail.com](mailto:coromandelgolfclub@gmail.com)

## Kung Fu at the Coromandel Hospital

By Kelvin Mouritsen

### Relax the Body Exercise the Mind

Having just returned from Sigung Chu Shong Tin's 10 year memorial I thought I'd write about Wing Chun, a Chinese Martial Art known for its devastating effectiveness and close range power.

Sigung was Grandmaster Yip Mans live in disciple and the foremost authority on Wing Chun which he described as Genuine Hardcore Old School Kung Fu. Bruce Lee introduced this martial art to the western

world and it gave him his fighting edge. It is very different from other martial arts and is known as the Science of Street Fighting or the Thinking Man's Martial Art even though it is the only style created by a woman, a 5 foot 2 inch Buddhist nun, and it is one of the few styles (it's actually a system) where they can have true equality. It employs simultaneous defence and offence and uses body structure.

It is based on simple scientific and logical principles and does not use brute strength or muscles for power and a different part of the brain is used. As no athletic ability, fitness, flexibility or strength is required it can be performed by people of any size shape or age. A skilled practitioner could realistically easily defeat someone much larger and stronger.

This system is internal and corrects postural alignment, reduces stress and enhances wellbeing. Fundamentally simple and easy to learn it is also incredibly profound thus offering a lifetime of enjoyment. It's very good for the spine and balance and more relaxed than most other martial arts.

Classes are run Hong Kong style and quite different to more commercial schools e.g. bit like a gym, arrive, leave or sit down whenever you want.

There are no belts, levels, gratings or compulsory uniforms, just Kung Fu without the extra expense.

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

**COROMANDEL PLAYERS INC. AGM** 26 September 7pm. At the Hauraki House Theatre. All welcome.

**HAURAKI HOUSE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AGM** 6 September 10am. At the Hauraki House Youth Group Room. All welcome.

## OTHER

**AGE CONCERN FALLS PREVENTION** Strength and Balance exercise class for seniors. Coromandel Gym, Pottery Lane Tuesday and Thursday, 10am, \$2. Vickie (07) 866 7894.

## POETRY SPOT

### Coromandel Spring

By Sue Philbin

Cut grass, sweet scent,  
Jasmine blossom, pungent.  
Citrus flowers, bee power.  
Wet road, spring shower.  
Cycling past garden hues,  
Pink, green, yellow, blues...  
As Coromandel bursts in bloom  
Equinox storm over mountains loom.  
Flooding lawns, "we've had it all",  
The folk of Coromandel call.  
Landslides slip as rivers rise.  
Landscapes change before our eyes.  
The earth re-shaped thro' Nature's hand  
Historic changes to our land.

# Coromandel Town weekly and monthly meetings

## 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, Murray Brown (07) 866 8602....9am  
 Monday Walkers, Woollams Ave car park north end,  
 Tracy and Peter Kendall 027 333 4722 .....9am  
 Gold Fit at Coro Gym.....9.30am  
 Rummikub at The Club..... 1-4pm  
 Line dancing beginners class, Anglican Church Hall,  
 Jeni Mudgway 021 022 75341 ..... 3-3.30pm  
 Line dancing, Anglican Church Hall, Jeni Mudgway 021 022 75341... 3.30-4.15pm  
 Coro Superstars, a performing arts group for 6-13-yr-olds, Anglican Hall, contact  
 Claire 021 653 650..... 5pm  
 Bridge, St John rooms..... 7pm  
 Taizé 4-part harmony singing, Sally 027 302 4245..... 7.30pm

## Every Tuesday

Croquet Club – Association Croquet, Woollams Ave,  
 Lyn 027 466 2661 ..... 9.45am-12.15pm  
 Coro Walking Group, meet outside The Bizarre, Ruth 027 338 3545 .....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  
 Tai Chi, Waikato Events Centre (above the swimming pool),  
 Christina 021 113 4768 ..... 4pm

## Every Wednesday

Step Aerobics at Coro Gym .....8am  
 Meditation at Mahamudra..... 8.15-8.45am  
 Pastel Artists Coromandel, Rose's Studio,  
 contact Allan (07) 866 8053..... 9am-12pm  
 Gold Fit at Coro Gym.....9.30am  
 Ballet Class For Adults, Coromandel Citizens' Hall, \$15 per class.  
 Marilyn 027 336 5263..... 10-11am  
 Coromandel Home-school group, Julene 020 4060 8102 ..... 12.30pm  
 Kung Fu, Coromandel Hospital..... 5-7pm

## Every Thursday

Coro Walking Group, meet outside The Bizarre, Ruth 027 338 3545 .....9am  
 Coro Art Group, Coro Flying Club, Lindsay (07) 866 7799..... 9am-12pm  
 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  
 Line dancing beginners class, Anglican Church Hall,  
 Jeni Mudgway 021 022 75341 ..... 3-3.30pm  
 Line dancing, Anglican Church Hall, Jeni Mudgway 021 022 75341 .. 3.30-4.15pm  
 Coromandel Tennis Club "club day" ..... 4.30pm  
 Yin Yoga with Toni, Event Centre, \$10-\$20, Toni 020 4076 1526 ..... 5-6.15pm  
 Recova 12-step addiction recovery meeting, 100 Pound St (orange house),  
 Liz 027 436 2800 ..... 6-7pm  
 Free drop-in Dharma talk or video at Mahamudra ..... 7-8.30pm

## Every Friday

Step Aerobics at Coro Gym .....8am  
 Community Gardens volunteer day..... 9am-12pm  
 Yoga for everyone, Anglican Hall, Kate 021 125 3152.....9am  
 Croquet Club – Golf Croquet, Woollams Ave, Lyn 027 466 2661 9.45am-12.15pm  
 Chess Club, Weta Cafe, 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 Flying Club social gathering, all welcome ..... 5.30pm

## Every Saturday

Coromandel Homegrown Market, Wharf Rd (summer only)..... 9am-1pm  
 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" ..... 2pm

## Monthly

1st Mon – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, St John rooms,  
 Sharon Currie 027 299 695 ..... 9.30am-3.30pm

3rd Mon – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, St John rooms,  
 Sharon Currie 027 299 695 ..... 9.30am-3.30pm  
 2nd Tues – Cancer Support Group, St John rooms  
 John Walker 027 482 0435 ..... 10am  
 1st Wed – Coro Embroiderers' Guild, St John rooms,  
 Helen Pearce (07) 866 8460. .... 10am-3pm  
 1st Wed – Lions dinner meeting (winter time), St John rooms.  
 Sue Hughes 021 142 1124 ..... 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 (winter time), St John rooms.  
 Sue Hughes 021 142 1124 ..... 6pm  
 Last Thurs – Green Drinks at Star & Garter ..... 5pm  
 Last Thurs – DCR Music and Art Night ..... 6.30pm  
 3rd Fri – Dances of Universal Peace, The Pyramid, Sue 022 159 1571 ..10.30am  
 1st & 3rd Sun – Church Service at St Andrew's Church, Rings Road..... 10am

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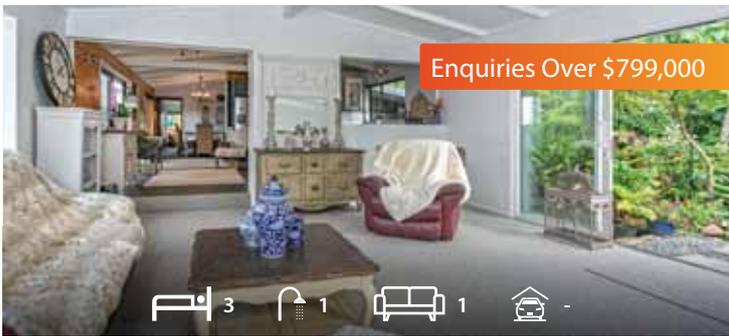
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