

## Another Successful Artisan Market

Sunday July 24 saw the second Paparoa Artisan Market - and what a great array of crafts and produce. Everything from jewellery, pottery, original artworks, wool and crochet to honey, preserves and flavoured salts. Despite the miserable weather locals and travellers alike turned out to pick up beautiful gifts for their friends, families and themselves.

The market is on the fourth Sunday of the month, 11.30- 3.30. Keep an eye on the press and local FB pages for updates.



Local identity Nellie with her moths and the work of several other locals



Stunning crocheted rugs and cushions from Brenda's of Maungakaremea



Pania from Pukeatua Woodwork of Dargaville and their reclaimed timber boards



Iconic pottery from locals Mike & Laura of Magpie Art Studio

## Thank You From Your Posties

Following the relief postie's story (PP June) lamenting the lack of numbers on, and general condition of, many rural mailboxes, it has been wonderful to see numbers popping up on some previously unmarked boxes.

Great work - and a big thank you to you all!

It would be awesome to see every rural mailbox with nice big shiny numbers, doors that open and shut, and placed so it isn't necessary to get out of the car in the rain to put the mail in.

## Paparoa Lions Walkway Remediation Work

The wet weather continues to hamper progress of the work on the Bush Walk. Although frustrating for anyone wishing to use the track, including the contractors, the end result will be worth the wait.

Please continue to respect the fact that the track is closed. Progress reports can be found on the 'Proudly Paparoa' Facebook page.

Thank you for your patience.

Jim Rowlands  
Paparoa Lions Club



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## Local KDC Awards Recipients

Thanks to all the people who represented Paparooa so well at the recent Kaipara District Council Citizens and Environment Awards ceremony held at Dargaville. We had two locals receiving awards as well and a good contingent of supporters.

Graham Taylor was one of 6 recipients of the Citizens Award for outstanding service to the Paparooa community over a long period of time. Graham is well known as the volunteer manager of the Farmer's market which he has been running since its inception, apart from a few years when he took a well deserved break. This is now a weekly commitment which takes up most of his Saturday mornings. Graham first got involved in the market because it is a Progressive Paparooa (PPI) initiative and he has been the chair of the PPI committee since it was formed 22 years ago. Over these years Graham has been involved in all the PPI projects including the development of the Landing, Wearable Arts Gala, setting up the Print Shop, The Changeable Sign, the Paparooa Press and the list goes on.

Graham also chairs three other organisations in



Mayor Jason Smith, Shaun Holland and Graham Taylor

Paparooa - The Medical Society, Paparooa County Depot Trust and Paparooa Community Charitable Trust which is doing the subdivision on Franklin Rd including a Lifestyle Village for senior residents. In all of these organisations he has provided leadership that has resulted in achievements for our village that we should be very proud of, especially the upgraded Medical Centre and the Twin Streams Wai Oranga Rua subdivision.

In previous years Graham was a Scout leader at Maungaturoto for 14 years and was on the High School Board of Trustees while his children were attending.

On receiving the award from the Mayor, Graham was humbled and grateful for the support of his wife Sally and all the volunteer members of the committees he has been involved with over the years.

The other local receiving a KDC Environment Award was Shaun Holland of the Pest Free Peninsulas Kaipara. Originally started as Pest Free Pahi Peninsular, under Shaun's leadership this fantastic group of volunteers are now trapping for possums and mustelids on several peninsulas around the area including Petley, Te Pahi, Whakapirau, Matakoho, Hukatere, and of course Pahi. In the last calendar year this group trapped over 3000 possums, rats and mustelids and they are now noticing increased numbers of native bird life in the blocks of native bush on the peninsulas around the district. A recent highlight has been the sighting of Kaka on the Pahi peninsula.

Shaun was grateful to all the volunteers who make up the trapping team and the support of Northland Regional Council.

Pete Hames

**Repairs have started on Whakapirau wharf,  
with the landing section completed recently.  
Work should be completed by the end of August.**

## **A reminder to our contributors!**

We need all advertising material by the 15th of the previous month and all editorial copy by the 20th. We cannot guarantee the publication of any material received after these dates.

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# Paparoa School News

Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa Lava and Hello, I would like to introduce myself to the wonderful community of Paparoa School as your new Principal.

My name is Karyn Taylor and until last term I was the Deputy Principal of Tokoroa Central School in Tokoroa, a position I held for 9 years. My role also consisted of being SENCO, leading the Learning and Curriculum delivery, the Digital Curriculum, as well as Assessment and Pastoral Care within the school. The leadership knowledge and experiences in this role has supported me in being able to continue my educational journey which has now led me to the wonderful Kaipara District. I am extremely proud and privileged to have been appointed Tumuaki of Paparoa School and I am looking forward to becoming involved in the school and wider community.

My husband, Glen and I have bought a house in the district and we are looking forward to having a few adventures around Northland. We have

two sons, one who lives in Northland and one in the South Island. We are dog lovers, owning three Labradors and we are looking forward to finding some local walks. My passion is the outdoors, particularly growing my own fruit and vegetables.

I look forward to meeting all of you, the parents, community and of course, getting to know the Paparoa Tamariki.

We have some exciting events planned at school for Term 3 and look forward to keeping the community updated on these in the coming weeks. Our parent fundraising group has also been reactivated and the first event planned is the Quiz Night on Saturday 6 August. It's not too late to book a table, so please call the School Office on 09 431 7379 if you would like to do so. I will



be there so look forward to meeting some of the community then. We are also holding the Possum Purge again, for the first time since 2019, from 8-10 September, with the Gala Day on Sunday 11 September. More details coming soon!

Ngā Mihi Nui  
Karyn Taylor,  
Principal, Paparoa School

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## A Big Thank You To Debbie Blythen

*From Paparooa Community Library*



We farewelled Debbie Blythen at our AGM - after 11 years as Chairperson and a year prior to that as Vice Chairperson.

Debbie joined the library in 1995 when it was downstairs from where it is situated now. It then moved upstairs to where the current Medical Centre is situated, then back down to the original position, via an 18 month stint in the container out on the lawn in front of the current library (and did not function during this time).

Debbie was instrumental in getting the new library setup to run efficiently and with modern shelving, light and airy spaces, making it a great place to come and find an amazing selection of books for all genres.

Debbie has been my mentor for the past 4 years and I have truly appreciated all her help and guidance throughout this time. With so much knowledge it was good to know we could work things out together when needed.

We won't be saying goodbye - it's just that she's moved on from this role - which will be taken up by the very capable Dianne Barry.

Jas Futter  
Manager Paparooa

## Depot Trust Distributes Funds

The Paparooa County Depot Trust met recently and decided on the distribution of grants to local community groups and organisations. A total of \$18,849 was spread among the nine groups that applied.

Trust chair, Graham Taylor, said "we were faced with applications from very worthy causes. It is a real pleasure to be able to assist groups that have great projects on the go or are facing hardship due to covid related restrictions".

The groups assisted this time were - Paparooa Hall, Maungaturoto Hall, Grow Paparooa, Paparooa Lions, Matakohe School, Otamatea High School, Otamatea High School Duke of Edinburgh Gold students, Maungaturoto Country Club, Paparooa Sports

and Recreation Society.

The Trust last year decided to make grant monies available twice a year. The next call for applications will be in November. There is also the Paparooa County Depot Trust Primary Industries Scholarship which is available for application in October. This is targeted at Year 13 students from Otamatea High School.

The Trust earns income from renting premises and storage at its property in Depot Rd and is entirely voluntarily operated.

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## Moth Plant In Paparooa

We are concerned about moth plant growing on the side of Franklin Rd as we walk up the rise just past the bridge by the Primary School, and opposite the Playcentre. The public is urged to destroy moth plants before the seed pods burst and distribute more of the native tree-choking, butterfly-killing weed.

Moth plant is easily identified right now by the choko looking seedpods and the milky sap.



Dorothy

## Personal Preparedness In Paparoa

We're in that time of year where Paparoa experiences a higher risk of major storms and flooding. In most emergencies, it's best to stay in your own home - if it is safe to do so. This may mean being without power, water or ways to get supplies for three days or more.

Now is a good time to think about your personal and household preparedness. What would you do if the power or water was out for days, or you were unable to get to town for supplies? How will you see, cook, keep warm? What will you drink?

Assembling an 'Emergency Survival Kit' is a great way to be prepared. Some emergency survival items to consider are:

- Torch and spare batteries, or a self-charging torch
- Radio with spare batteries

- First aid kit and essential medicines

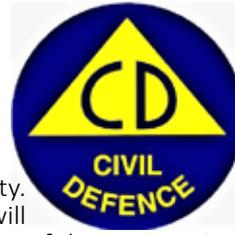
- Pet supplies

- Emergency water and easy-to-carry food such as energy bars and dried food

The Civil Defence Community Response Group will have a presence at the Farmers Market on Saturday 27th August if you want more information about how you can be better prepared or simply to ask any questions you might have regarding Civil Defence and its role in the

community. We will have a copy of the community response plan, household preparedness leaflets and look forward to being able to assist in your own preparedness.

Lynne Warbrooke  
Paparoa Community  
Response Group Coordinator



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## PPI Co-opts New Members

With committee member numbers dwindling in recent months, for a variety of reasons, the PPI committee has taken steps to recruit new people. Four individuals have stepped forward and showed interest in joining PPI. Numbers are now up to a full complement. These people are Kate Hawley, Ellisia Cleave, Luke MacDonald and Tony Bozzard. They have now been co-opted as full members until the next AGM.

Chair Graham Taylor said 'its great to have such a wealth of talent sitting around the table and being able to draw on a range of ideas. I can see PPI moving from strength to strength. With our PPI Community Activator, Val Faulkner also becoming a full committee member, there is a really strong team. The projects that PPI has on the go will continue to make Paparoa a great place to live.

Watch out for developments on the Village Green playground in the next month or so. Support the Farmers' Market as a source of fresh local produce and craft and a place to relax and socialise. Enjoy the stories in Paparoa Press and support local advertisers. Get your printing done at Paparoa Print. These are all PPI initiatives.

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## Paparoa Community Library



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## Update from Progressive Paparoa Community Activator The Village Green Enhancement Project

We have some good news; we have received a Community Grant from the Kaipara Council. This will enable shade covers to be installed over the two concrete picnic tables in the Village Green area. These sails will provide valuable shade for people using the tables and will be enjoyed by locals, as well as people passing through Paparoa.

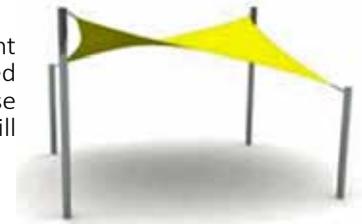
The sails will be constructed from the same material as the existing shade sails that have been erected over the playground. The shape of the sail has been designed to maximise the shade as the sun moves throughout the day, as well as looking great.

The poles and sails are designed to last, so people will be able to enjoy them for years to come

We have also applied for two other sources of funding. If these applications are successful, we will have the funding to be able to complete the garden and seating area around the playground.

We will also be able to enhance the concrete tables with mosaic design, as well as the concrete stepping stones in the garden surrounding the playground. They will be created and installed by Foxhanger Studio.

Mosaic artist Pat George will create a suite of design options. These designs will be shared with the Community through the local Paparoa Press, and at the Saturday Farmers Markets, so locals will have the opportunity to vote on their favourite designs.



### Update from Waka Kotahi

Our submissions have been made to NZTA but we have not been advised yet of the decision by Waka Kotahi regards to the speed and safety of SH12 where it passes through Paparoa.

The survey completed earlier this year unanimously requested safer roads, a pedestrian crossing, and a lower speed limit through the village itself.

The specific submission which responded to their proposal, was very similar, extending the 50 km area (their proposal reduced it) , making NZTA aware of buildings and usage that they were unaware of, and reinforcing the need for the pedestrian crossing, as the carpark is on the opposite side of the road from the shops.

Val/PPI

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You may see Stella walking at a great pace around our roads with her sister Dot. This is one her passions and she has been a leader in establishing many walkways and cycle tracks in the area, including the Ruawai and County Club walkways.

Stella has been involved through Otamatea High School in supporting our youngsters via Gateway and trade careers programs and supporting our teenagers to succeed and excel.

You will also see her name appear often on these pages as a prolific contributor to the Paparoa Press.

Stella is a member of Rotary, is part of COGs - Community Organisational Grants, works in the Maungaturoto Op shop, and she is a committe member of the Paparoa Depot Trust. She has also been a champion for many years in many roles for our annual NKAA show.

Among Stella's many achievements are a Bachelor of Applied Science, a Post Graduate degree in teaching, and she's run the entire length of NZ!



We are blessed to have her out there working tirelessly for our community.

# The Garrett Steam Engine

Dominating one side of the Kauri Museum's Smith Wing is a Garrett Portable Steam Engine, built in England in 1906. The engine provided power in several Northland sawmills and was finally used by William Smith at his Greenhill Mill near Ruawai.

Ageing boiler tubes forced its retirement in 1956. William's grandson Clive Smith donated the Garrett to the Museum, and here he shares some recollections of the giant machine.

"The Garrett portable steam engine's own story has been unknown to me, as it arrived at "Greenhill" some ten years before I was born, and I do not know of its early history. It was installed in the mill about 1925-30, as the earlier steam engine proved inadequate to the task. The site of the Mill was almost on the back edge of the "Greenhill" farm. It was initially positioned there to take advantage of the many and varied kauri heads left over from the original working of the bush in that area. Access was



through the property which was farmed by Martin Baines and his family on the Oparakau Road as all the to-ing and fro-ing traffic was from Matakoho at that time.

As a small boy I spent much time stoking slabs (offcuts of already milled timber) into the Garrett's fire box. There was always a lot of water being used in the mill for keeping the breast bench cool, flushing out sawdust from the Pacific bench and keeping water in the engine. As is inevitable with small boys and water my shirt was frequently saturated but by taking it off, holding it in front of me with the firebox door open it was a problem solved quite quickly.

The Garratt was working almost fulltime after World War II to help supply building timber for the post War requirements for Returned Servicemen and all as the country recovered from the austerity years. The usage lapsed with the Garrett not qualifying for survey (a safety requirement). Any attempt to requalify it would necessitate re-tubing and also replacing firebox stays, so a diesel tractor with a belt pulley was used as a power source after that.

The engine was towed by myself and Bobby Smith's older brother Dennis (armed with a bulldozer each) to the Oparakau Road side where it languished for some time until a Council grader requisitioned by the Museum's founder,

M.D. Sterling, was used to tow it to its present place in the Museum."

In the photo of the engine in the paddock, two of the children are Jo Sterling and Patricia Ness - can anyone identify the others?

Grant O'Neill



## Kaipara Refuse

The kerbside waste collection service was extended to the whole district in 2007 and Kaipara Refuse now have 6 compactor trucks, 3 recycling trucks, and employ around 45 staff both full time and part time.

When they started out there was NO recycling running in Kaipara. The council of the day wasn't keen on it being added to rates so a user-pays system of the yellow bags for collecting recycling from the kerbside started in 2008.

Kaipara Refuse was born to serve two purposes:

to financially support the Kaurilands Skills Centre- a residential facility that has been running since the 1990's and provides homes for about 20 people with intellectual disabilities

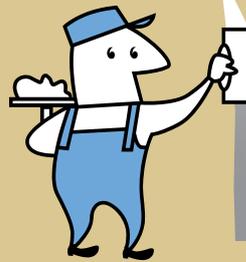
to create roles for the Kaurilands community, to help them get out into the community and contributing valuable skills.

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## A Response To A Rant

First can I say BRAVO! to the denizen of the Old Post Office, for charging out of her cave, giving us a sharp nip, and retiring once again to her favoured pursuits.

Certainly a thought provoking read. Of course I prefer to believe that the community organisations I am involved with are some of the ones "who do work well together".

Hope my imminent response is more of a sheepdog, gently nudging some of us in a slightly new direction.

NEXT .... THERE HAS TO BE A BETTER WAY

We are blessed with an abundance of voluntary organisations in this area. It is so heartening to see so many people prepared to follow their passions by giving so generously and freely of their time for the good of the community. So many of you are out there and getting hands dirty.

- Cutting wood
- Making and serving food
- Digging, planting, weeding and harvesting
- Mowing and pruning
- Cleaning and organising

Of course for every organisation there has to be a committee. Oh how New Zealanders love their committees, to plan, manage, decide, and administer those good works.

Point of order Ms Chairman! My question, and yes I will eventually get to it, is:

"In the 21st century, do we really need to keep using a 19th century way of managing all the good we do in the 'hood?"

What if you could get those things done quickly without leaving the comfort of your home.

I feel fortunate to be a part of some forward thinking committees that have adapted to the world we now inhabit by embracing available technology and new ways of working together.

### Things that work for us:

- Email! Email lets us talk to other committee members so we can make decisions faster. Added bonus - all

discussions are recorded and fully documented reducing miscommunication.

- Online Banking lets the multiple signatories on our account authorise payments of accounts that have been approved for payment, via email, as they come in. Dark magic indeed.

- Letting people know what we do, why we do it and how to contact us through social media.

- Making sure that contact details stay the same even as volunteers come and go.

### Some Easy Starting Points:

- Set up a group email address for your organisation.

- Setup an email list for your current committee for discussions and decision making.

- Set up a facebook page that lets people know what you do, why you do it, and how to contact you.

- Consider Zoom if you need face to face discussions, stay in the comfort of your own home with a decent coffee while you do good in the 'hood.

- If all else fails support a local café or eatery for your face to face debates.

I am sure that there are many of you out there already experiencing these delights the 21st century has to offer. I invite the rest of you to join us. I am happy to help you get set up and walk you through the technology as part of my passion for helping out in this wonderful community.

Linda

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**As this is an indoor event at a function venue, mask wearing is kindly requested.**



## Paparooa Connections Meeting

To keep the projects and connections going between projects, the next Paparooa Connections meeting is scheduled for Sunday 28 August 3-5pm at the Paparooa Sports Pavilion. Projects include various walkways, cycleways, art installations, telling our history, playground, mountain bike track, walking track and exercise stations. We are always looking for more people to help keep the projects moving forward. It is very satisfying and is a great group of people. If you are interested in joining at any level, or want further information email paparooaconnections@gmail.com All are welcome on Sunday 28 August. See p18.

Libby Jones and Gail Fotheringham

# I've been thinking ... News And Papers

I know I'm a dinosaur. I still buy a newspaper. I have my reasons: habit and convenient crosswords. But that does not mean that I don't want the paper to give me a generous supply of up-to-date and various news. After all.....

Lately it seems that the newspapers are practising all sorts of not so clever and not so subtle ways of filling up the space they have not been able to sell to advertisers. These dodges include fewer pages in all, more pages of games and puzzles. Then there's the 'bigger headings and captions' trick which must gobble up inches of space.

Employing reporters must be costly: so much easier to use a news service.

And then there's the 'flog a subject to death' dodge, even if it means somewhat misrepresenting things.

Take the recent US Supreme court Wade vs Roe decision. Now it's my understanding that this decision was really the Supreme Court saying abortion legislation was the realm of the States, not Federal Government. Of course the decision has many repercussions in the US, but our papers made a huge deal of it for New Zealand. Which it isn't. We have our own

law and I cant imagine many people want to reopen that debate. Sure, people have their opinions which is their right, and the Government wanted to make political capital out of the Leader of the Opposition's views. It is coming up to an election after all. Responsible journalism would have downplayed the subject rather than sensationalised it. But it took up a lot of space.

Take the All Blacks' series defeat by Ireland. Days and days of game analysis, speculation about the coaches' futures, criticism of the Rugby Union. Interviews with any old All Black.....

Now how much does the average reader care? Rugby is a game after all. Many would suggest a 'has been' game at that. Professionalism is lessening its national appeal. But the loss filled up pages with cheaply acquired copy; so many people happy to contribute the benefit of their opinions for free.

I'm not suggesting that things

like the US constitutional debate and Rugby are not of general interest. Of course they are. Facts and opinions should be sought and printed. However, overexposure and concentration on a few issues is just sensationalism and I expect more responsibility from our newspapers.

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**Our August calendar:**  
**Community lunch:** Wednesday 3rd at St John Hall Hurndall Street. 10am morning tea, 12 o'clock lunch.  
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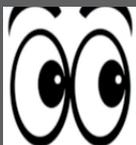


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## Letters from The Old Post Office... Warning, danger ahead.

They say the shortest day has been and gone. It just doesn't feel like it. Dank and dreary the washing droops on the line, like, well, wet washing.

And speaking of washing, Dear Reader, I constantly ask myself WHY this modern- day urge is to wash dirty linen in public. Do it in private for heaven's sake. What is wrong with locking it in a cupboard and only taking it out to secretly review it through the bottom of a brandy glass and by candlelight? Bore your friends and relatives if you must. But, I think that skeletons

should remain locked up. So interesting for the next generations to come, deciphering angry diaries and musty keepsakes. Cries of but isn't Aunt Agnes mum's sister after all?? Or, is that where the family inheritance went, spent on some secret love! Just look what happens in all those movies when they open diaries/cupboards/tombs/crypts etc etc. Secrets positively spill out, exciting things happen, some people even die. (Unless, of course, you are young and beautiful. THEN you may survive to look suitably dishevelled in the closing credits. I digress).

Yes, dirty washing. FB is a splendid example and you do not even have to be able to read in anything more than short monosyllabic soundbites. The opportunity to name your current unpopular person, (even if you don't know them) and discuss theirs and/or yours in detail seems unfortunately a treat not to be missed. The discussions that riddled FB like some sort of termite over whether he/she was guilty in what should surely have been for the Courts to decide had to be seen to be believed. Can't remember their names, but he made a fortune wearing a hook and eyepatch.

People, please!

One: They are ACTORS

Two: Actually, it is none of our beeswax

Three: How can we possibly

think that what we have to say has any relevance at all. We are just not that important/interesting/intelligent/relevant! Or good at spelling.

And if they had to wash their linen in public and I am sure Dear Reader, it was probably 1000000 count, thrice-washed by Virgin feet linen, then we should have the delicacy to turn away. Yet, it seemed all too good an opportunity for so many illiterates to miss. (See point 3)

And yes, Dear Reader, we may also learn the most intimate details of the commentators' personal lives. Drinking, wife beating, cheating and baiting, husband beating, cheating and baiting, pet stealing, acts of public shaming and information that may well come back to haunt them every year when FB likes to bring up reminders of important memories. Such fun. Such commitment to over sharing.

Although I am slightly ashamed to admit that I did read some of the commentary in a sort of horrified train smash sort of way and possibly took a few notes just in case a vengeful mood overtakes me. Alfafa seeds on a lightly watered carpet, anchovies stuffed into curtain rods, chilli powder sprinkled into aforesaid dirty linen and one or two others which, unlike many, I will keep to myself. Live in fear.

Deb



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Who used it? Genesis Energy, NZ Steel and Golden Bay Cement. The drought with lakes at their lowest level in 25 years meant hydropower usage was down. Roll on the new wind and solar farms...

Clean Green NZ? Not quite.

Stella

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when you're passing a stationary school bus

## Oh Those Cats!

Lovely cute cuddly cats, curled up on your knee, or spread out in front of a glowing warm fireplace, just like on the TV... What you DON'T see on the TV is the smell of the cat after coming in from a fun night chasing mice and rabbits in the paddock... Currently, it's a very sheepy smell... a very STRONG sheep smell... guess who won't be snuggling in our bed tonight!?

Then there's the middle of the night chase in the lounge.

I awake, suddenly alert and stumble as fast as I can to the lounge, where I squint, bleary eyed at the cat who seems to have its latest victim, still alive on proud display just in front of him...

I quickly grab a nearby rag and snaffle the mouse, before it scurries under a piece of furniture, which would lead to a VERY unfortunate midnight hunt!

Don't get me wrong, I AM grateful for the gift and the pest eradication, but could he not just bring it in DEAD? (or better still keep it outside!)

Still, at least it wasn't the half-chewed, dead rabbit that I was to encounter on another night.

The mind boggles as to how the cat... being the same size as the rabbit, dragged it through the cat door!

I had never had to think about how to remove blood and rabbit muck from a carpet before, but thanks to Google, it was much simpler than I had imagined. (and thank goodness I don't have white carpet!)

Disposing of the carcass outside, followed happily by the cats, I wondered if there would be any left to give to the hawk in the morning...

The next morning all that was left outside was a rabbits foot... "Look, " I said to hubby, " a lucky rabbits foot... although not so lucky for the rabbit!"

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Paperbacks used to be considered the trash of literature, possibly because they were mostly published by Mills and Boon, which have a reputation of their own, and as badly written Westerns. Nowadays most any genre and quality of book can be found in paperback form, makes "light" reading to take on holiday, read in bed, and even in the bath. (Not too much damage is done if it falls in the water. Not the same can be said of e-books.)

If the weather is getting you down let me uplift you with this little gem - "whether you think your glass is half full or half empty, it is refillable." Or from Fred Dagg, "We don't know how lucky we are." And to remind us again of those facts try reading stories from Afghanistan, by Khaled Hosseini. "The Kite Runner," "A Thousand Splendid Suns," or "And the Mountains Echoed," and be ever so grateful that

you are living where you are, in the best little community in the best little country in the world, winter or summer! The bitterness of Afghanistan, the climate, the terrain, the politics, and human or inhumane interaction of its people will challenge and humble you while you read by the fireside or snuggle in your warm bed.



Another one to challenge us, published back in 1996 is "Angela's Ashes" by Frank McCourt. An autobiography of his childhood as much as a novel. A harrowing story told with Irish humour. If you haven't yet read it or seen the movie, give it a go, or even if you have, take another look. Frank McCourt has since written many more widely acclaimed books and I intend to seek them out. Why is it that we feel so much better about life when faced with the horrors that others are suffering real or imagined?

Back to keeping positive - something that I love to read, and love, love, love that so many are contributing, swelling its pages, is The Paparooa Press. Huge congratulations to the Editors and Publishers for appealing for more articles, and to those who have taken up the call. What I find especially appealing is the handwritten book reviews of the latest in children's literature in Billie's Book Corner. The future of books and bookclubs is in good hands.

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**CHILDREN'S BOOK REVIEW**

**Green Eggs And Ham**

Book review by Kennedy Andrews with help from Anwen and Eccleisa Davies.

Sam I am asked his friend if he likes green eggs and ham. His friend said ' I do not like them, Sam I am. I do not like green eggs and ham.'

Sam then asked if he would like them here or there, in a house or with a mouse. His friend said ' I do not like them in a house. I do not like them with a mouse. I do not like them here or there. I do not like them anywhere! I do not like green eggs and ham. I do not like them Sam I am...

After a while Sam's friend finally agreed. 'Sam if you will let me be, I will try them you will see. Say! I like green eggs and ham! I do! I like them Sam I am! And I would like them in a ..... With a..... In the..... They are so good, so good you see!

This is a fun book about trying new things, even if you don't want to, because it may be better than you thought.



## Maungaturoto and Districts Rotary August Report

First of all, I hope you have considered putting a team into our Quiz on Friday 19th August. Teams of up to 6 people; Cost \$15 per person; Good prizes as well as raffles; continuous nibbles; Team entries close Monday 15th August; Doors open 6.30pm for 7pm start. Proceeds will go towards the Youth activities we support at Otamatea High School (DOE and William Pike). To enter a team, contact Nyree- nyree.antunovich@otamatea.school.nz or any Rotarian. This is sure to be a fast paced, fun night.

Vipin and I had the chance earlier this month to be judges at a Young Enterprise presentation by the Level 1 students at Otamatea High school. Four teams had to decide on what facilities could be provided to encourage visitors to our area. They had four periods to design their plans and five minutes to present them. Once again we were made aware of the wide ranging abilities the youth in our area have and which they are encouraged to develop.

We have had both our District and Club changeovers in the past month. Our District now has a new Governor, Matt McLeod, and our Club has a new President, Les Kenworthy Thompson. For our club, like many others, virtually all our projects and fundraising activities were negatively impacted last year. In attending a District Changeover, one is made more aware of the bigger picture of Rotary- how it provides programmes for the younger people in our community as well as supporting projects off-shore, including upgrades of water supplies, provision of better sanitation and repairs to cyclone ravaged areas. Plus, for the first time in the history of Rotary International, there is a woman at the helm- Jennifer Jones.

There were two guest speakers of note at District Changeover- the first was Jessie Harman (a Director from Rotary International). She spoke about the different formats for Rotary clubs now so that they can be more meaningful for participants. She also spoke about the need to increase diversity, equity and inclusion within clubs as well as looking at ways to protect the environment.

The second speaker, Cat Levine, has had a pilot project in Northland- Promoting Tamariki Mental Well-being. She now wants to extend this throughout Northland; Her topics include: Be Cool- introducing students of concepts of emotional regulation; Be Brave- strategies to manage anxiety; and Be Calm - strategies for Anger Management. She believes that now more than ever, especially post-Covid, youngsters need to be given methods of managing their stressors. This Trust has been set up with a Rotary Grant. It is interesting to note that many well known organisations were initiated by a Rotary Club in NZ - Crippled Children, Health Camps, National Kidney Foundation, Riding for Disabled, to name a few.

We look forward to a year of being more active in our community.

Eileen Parsons 021 142 0357  
Maungaturoto & Districts Rotary Club



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Its been a while since I've written. Hope you've been well. So many new people have moved into town, they won't remember when I did write this wacky little blurb about life in Paparooa with my kids, ducks and other assorted farm lifestyle accoutrements unknown to ex-city dwellers. But we've been here 12 years now, so we're fast on our way to being locals, only 3 more decades to go...

And we're also new, in a new way. Many of you may remember me as a local yoga teacher. My aspirations under such a guise were always for health, freedom and peace. People lead stressful lives. They are seeking ways to find peace. After 7 years of teaching, the peace & freedom I found through yoga was fleeting. Momentary. Some in classes found maybe an hour of quiet head space, maybe only 5 minutes, gone by the time we made it to our cars.

And then last year I found a peace that didn't leave. A freedom that opened my eyes in a way I never expected, nor even dreamed. I didn't join any special freedom club or chant for 5 days at a peace rally. I instantly had addictions broken from me that 8 years of yoga couldn't shift. Thinking patterns and traumas that 30 years of seeking couldn't shift. The most unexpected man saved my life.

I've gotten a bit of mocking about it. We are taught to think those who follow Jesus Christ are weak, (I did at least). He's portrayed as a crutch, as though I couldn't save myself. I couldn't. I tried. I tried every healing modality, every modern 'light' new-age practice. I thought I had found truth, and freedom and peace. But it never stuck. I would find myself back clamoring for the next practice, retreat, healing potion, or whatever - until this most unexpected man saved my life. I can take the mocking. It doesn't touch the peace, or the freedom, in my heart. I haven't found religion, as some suspect. Jesus died at the hands of religion.

Now I am living with hope and joy, like I have always dreamed - free from addictions, from the bondage of self-idolatry and self-interest, from the looping and tormenting thoughts that we think are normal in the world. Will suffering come? Yes. But I have peace.

I also have 4 sons, a husband I love, and a community of friends in this beautiful town I call home. I thought I knew love. But like most of what I preached, I had no idea. I'm not trying to get you to join a church (building) or perform a ritual, I just wanted to write and let you know, I'm doing ok. I have peace.

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Vicky

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- Now our dog can confidently do circles and straight lines staying in the place we want them to be.

The final steps are getting our dog to be 'consistent for



longer' and 'be able to work with distractions' teach these on separate walks.

By rewarding our dog for doing the right thing frequently we have created a 'high rate of reward' for doing the right thing. The key for success moving forward is 'consistency' there is no substitute! On each walk do not be too ambitious build up gradually to your goal.

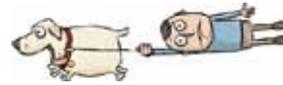
Here are a couple of things to be aware of when you head out to walk your dog.

Don't 'pull back' if your dog starts going ahead or lunging STOP moving, your dog will realise you're no longer going to buy into the 'tug of war' ask them to return to heel. If they do that's great - praise and continue. If not then turn 90 degrees and walk away sideways 'or' do a 180 and walk away. When your dog catches up to you reward them and circle back to the direction you wish to go in.

If your dog is not interested in eating treats, they may be too aroused or anxious to eat consider going somewhere quieter.

When your dog returns to where they are supposed to be moving forward and verbal engagement and reinforcement can be the reward so that you do not need to feed all the time.

As you develop your



relationship you will be able to go wherever you want to, the golden rule is consistency do not blur the lines of what you require from your dog, you give them the opportunity to test you.

Next month I can go over recalling.

Happy walking 😊  
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Jan

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### Social Media - Human Behaviour Algorithms - A Science In Themselves...

Social Media- In October 2021 there were approximately 4.5 billion internet users and about 57% of these were using social media. This is a huge number of people to reach with marketing products. It is also a way to deliver false information and influence large numbers of people regarding elections, social issues and can create unrest.

Human brains pick up clues from the environment and your peers- using simple rules to quickly translate those signals into decisions. Go with the winner, follow the majority, copy your neighbour. This works very well most of the time because they are based on the assumption that people act rationally - its unlikely that that many are wrong - the past predicts the future...

However, technology allows people access to much larger numbers of people - most whom they don't know - and artificial intelligence applications make big use of these popularity signals- from music to videos to news feeds.

In other-words a strong popularity bias can lead to harmful unintended consequences. Popularity does not mean it's quality

content and once it gets to a certain sized following it keeps amplifying. The more times a person hears or sees an idea online the more they are likely to believe it.

A game called Fakey found that players are more likely to like or share and less likely to flag articles from unreliable low credibility sources when they see that many other users have engaged with the articles.

Popularity boosts low quality content. Humans mostly want to conform with their "friends" Social media can use "link farming" grouping websites for the purpose of increasing the link popularity and ranking of another site and so increasing exposure to low quality content.

So be aware that all you see on social media may not come from the sort of people you would trust if you actually knew them face to face.

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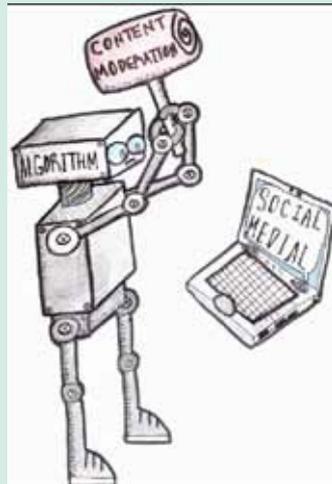


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## Pets in the Valley



Sometimes it is good to be wrong! I recently had a call to an old horse I know well, The message was that he hadn't eaten for 24 hours and was very "tucked up". (Hollow looking in the abdomen). So as I was driving to the call I was thinking of possible causes of what could be wrong with him. Being 30 years old most of my thoughts were not good- intestinal impaction, neoplasia, kidney failure... So then the natural thought progression was to the practical side of horse burial - not an easy task. Who had a digger nearby? Anyway I arrived at the horse and started checking him over - heart rate elevated, temperature normal, gut sounds in all 4 quadrants - which surprised me as being so normal. Then his owner came out and gave me some history that he was trying to eat his food but it would just drop out of his mouth - next step was we needed to look in his mouth. I know the horse had several molars missing as I have done his teeth for years and I was thinking maybe he had a rotten tooth or something painful going on in his mouth. I was extremely delighted when I ran my hand up the side of his mouth to feel something sticking out sideways into his cheek. A bit of a tug and low and behold a chunk of rose bush had jammed into the gap between two teeth! His owner and I were very excited about this- she had been thinking exactly the same thought that I had been- it was good to be wrong!



Janine

## GROW WHAKATIPU Paparoa Inc

Winter is never the busiest season in the garden but we are certainly finding plenty to keep us busy with at Grow Paparoa. Our lettuces, broccoli and cabbages are doing brilliantly and although we have had one Sunday when we didn't harvest, every other week we have gotten food out to the organisations requesting it. Should you find yourself with excess produce

from your garden we would be happy to forward it on for you to those who would greatly appreciate it. Simply drop it off at the gardens on a Sunday morning and we'll do the rest. Alternatively get in touch and we can see what we can do.

Even at quiet times in the year we need volunteers to keep things going. If you have one or two hours a month we would appreciate any help at all. There is absolutely no need to be an already avid gardener, there is always someone with the necessary experience willing to help you learn.

We're open Thursday/Friday 10am to 1pm and Sunday for harvesting 9 to 11am.

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## August Gardening Notes

August can be quite an uninviting month to be working out in the garden. Weather is cold and changeable with the odd fine revitalising day strung in between. Despite this we have the opportunity to prepare the gardens and orchards for the coming spring/summer seasons.

Green crops that have occupied the vege garden over winter such as mustard and lupins have given the ground a well earned rest and can be pulled out. The hard lower stalks and roots can be broken off and discarded. Lay the green stems and leaves in trenches and cover with soil. The soil will have a nice, aerated texture and be virtually weed free. In 4-6 weeks this will have broken down and be ready for spring planting.

At monthly intervals during August and September various varieties of beans, sweet corn and pumpkins can be sprouted between 2 layers of wet paper towelling on trays in the hot water cupboard. Thoroughly clean punnets, pots, trays and equipment to avoid pests and diseases affecting young tender seedlings. Sow sprouted seeds in good quality potting mix, add a good pinch of dried blood at the base of the planting hole and place in a warm sunny spot, I use a small plastic house, to grow in and to get a head start for planting out in the garden when conditions become more favourable. The first of the beans can generally be picked for Christmas dinner.

Prepare ground and plant out strawberry plants, manure well and mulch with pea straw. Pea straw is available at nurseries in a small compacted parcel and amazingly goes a long way.

This is the last chance to prevent leaf curl in stone fruit like peaches, nectarines and plums. As spring approaches and flower buds start to swell on deciduous fruit trees spray with copper oxychloride between when the buds start to swell and within 1 week of buds opening. Tidy up stone fruit trees by cutting back any damaged branches and remove any root stock stems growing up from the graft. Many dwarf varieties only require removing branches growing towards the middle of the tree to open up the centre, increasing light and airflow, helping reduce pests and diseases, and improving fruit quality and yield.

Feature pots planted in flowering annuals and positioned at various places - at the front door, patio, balcony or spasmodically in bare patches of the ground - will bring a splash of colour, and create a focal point. You only have to refresh it a few times a year for an ongoing display. A punnet or so will go a long way. Winter varieties include- polyanthus, lobelia, pansies, salvia. Summer - petunias especially the spreading variety, portulaca, geranium and verbena.

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Set up by Progressive Paparoa (PPI), the market has now become part of the weekend routine for many locals, regularly attracting people from Ruawai to Kaiwaka.

You'll need to be an early riser, bright and cheerful and enjoy working with people - stallholders and marketgoers.

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## OUT & ABOUT AROUND TOWN

### Paparooa's Farmers' market

happens every Saturday morning, 9am - 12 at the Village Green. Fresh fruit & veges, sweet treats, plants, olive oil, fish, preserves, live music and so much more. A great place to catch up with friends or make new ones.

### Artisan Market

Fourth Sunday Every month. Paparooa Memorial Hall 12pm - 4pm. Next market July 24. Email [artisanmarket.paparooa@gmail.com](mailto:artisanmarket.paparooa@gmail.com) or ph Steph 027 452 7124 or Ruth 021 433 969.

### Dog Registrations

are now open for the coming year. Make sure your furry friend is up to date by 31 August.



**Flax Weaving At Shop & Brew** on Sundays. Bring some flax and learn under Naadi's tuition. Feel free to come in and try it out.

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## Beverley Lister

*Beverley passed away on the 13th July, on what was her and Peter's 54th wedding anniversary.*

*Bev and Peter lived in Paparooa for a number of years and Bev was involved in many local organisations. She was a member of the Paparooa Playcentre, the Garden Club, Netball and Quilting. Peter was involved in the Football Club.*

*Bev was an excellent netball player and also an active fundraiser for both the Playcentre and the Football Club. We had many cabarets, balls, dine and dances and progressive dinners to raise funds for the new Playcentre building (which we now have!) and for the extensions to the football club rooms. She was an amazing cook and could always be relied upon to produce some beautiful cakes etc for the cake stalls.*

*They moved to Whangarei to be closer to their children and grandchildren.*

*Bev is survived by her husband Peter, son Greg and daughter Cheryl, and their families. Our condolences go to the family in their sad loss.*

*Rosemary Jones*

## Paparooa Artisan Market

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## Paparooa Connections

### 2022 Ready For Spring Workshop

Implementing a Paparooa Connections Plan to link:



*Workshop at Paparooa Sports Pavillion on Sunday 28 August 3 - 5pm*

**All Welcome**

**Focus - Project updates, Actions for spring/summer**

Bring a plate of afternoon tea to share  
For further information contact Libby at [paparooa.connections@gmail.com](mailto:paparooa.connections@gmail.com) or 021 208 0093

**WHAT'S ON - AUGUST 2022**

**The Kauri Museum** open 7 days, 9am-5pm  
**Paparoa School Quizz Night** - Sat 6 Aug, 7pm. See p3 for details.  
**Paparoa War Memorial Hall Society AGM** - Monday 8 Aug, 6pm, at the Hall  
**NKKA Show AGM** - Sat 20 Aug, 2pm, at the Sports Pavillion  
**Paparoa Artisan Market** - TSun 28 Aug, 11.30 - 3.30pm, at the Paparoa Hall

**REGULAR EVENTS, MEETINGS AND ORGANISATIONS**  
**Anglican Church St Marks** 1st, 2nd & 4th Sundays 10am, Hook Road, Paparoa  
**Ararua Church** 10.30am every Sunday. All welcome Ph 431 6622  
**Art Studio, Ruawai** Wed 10-12noon ph Frances 439 2554  
**Badminton** Thursdays 7pm Paparoa Hall \$2 students, \$3 adults, Pete 021 056 7163  
**Exercise to Music** Tue 10.30am Paparoa Hall \$5 Ph Janice 021 0282 0969  
**Farmers' Market** Every Saturday 9-Noon, Village Green, Graham 027 475 4490  
**Grey Power** Last Wed in month, 1pm, Anglican Church Hall, Maungaturoto  
**Grow Paparoa** Thur/Fri/Sun 10am to 2pm at the Community Gardens  
**Holy Trinity Anglican Church**, Maungaturoto, 1st & 3rd Sundays, 10am; 2nd & 4th Sundays, 4pm. All welcome  
**Kaipara Marching Team** Weds 4-5.30pm, M'gto, Ph Lyn Hutchings 022 070 8674  
**Line Dancing** Thurs 10am-noon Paparoa Hall Ph Jackie Cornes 027 368 7298  
**Mainly Music** Wed 9.30am Paparoa Comm Church, Lynaire Porteous 431 7520  
**Matakohe Garden Circle** 1st Weds each month, 1pm, J Mackinnon 431 6689.  
**Maungaturoto Opportunity Shop** Open Mon 10-1pm Wed 10-3pm Fri 10-3pm  
**Maungaturoto and Districts Rotary Club** Maungaturoto Centennial Hall, Tuesday evenings 6pm, Ph Stella 021 149 0877  
**Otamatea Quilters** 1st and 3rd Mon month 10am, Paparoa Hall 09 439 2262  
**Outdoor Bowls** Maungaturoto Green Ph Tony 431 6026 or Brian 431 6884  
**Pahi Hall** available for hire Ph Tina 0210335128  
**Paparoa Community Church** Sundays 10.30am, 4 Hook Road, 431 6795 or Dave Porteous 0274 180 676  
**Paparoa Garden Circle** 2nd Wed of month. Contact Raylee Over 431 6880  
**Paparoa Hall** Functions venue Ph Robyn 431 7306 or a/h Loraine 431 7290  
**Paparoa Library** Mon, Wed 2-4, Tues, Fri 11-1, Thurs 11.30-1.30, Sat 10-12. Manager Jas Futter 022 678 1474. Returns Box at Skeltons  
**Paparoa Lions** Dinner Meetings 3rd Mon in month 6.30pm, Sports Pavilion  
**Paparoa Playcentre** Tuesday and Thursday 10am-1pm Visitors Welcome Ph Kirstin 431 7373 txt 021 525 425 or Jane 431 6148 paparoa@playcentre.org.nz  
**Paparoa Primary School** Term 2 May 3 - July 9, Term 3 July 26 - Oct 1. 4317379  
**Paparoa Toy Library** Wed 10.30-1pm, Paparoa Comm Church, Hilery 431 7330  
**Paparoa Volunteer Rural Fire Force (VRFF)** 1st and 3rd Monday of the month 6.30pm Depot Rd ph Ken Ogilvie 021 129 4042  
**Plunket Ready Steady Wriggle** Mon 10am Sports Pav. Tina Ball 021 033 5128  
**Selwyn Centre** Thurs 9.45am for over 65's, St Marks, Hook Rd, Ph Sue 431 6224  
**Sports Pavilion** Functions Venue Bookings ph Jane Bailey 431 6148  
**St Mary's Catholic Church** Maungaturoto 10am Wed, 4pm Saturday  
**Table Tennis** Tues 7.30pm, Sports Pavilion \$2 Pete 431 6822  
**Tennis** No play for winter. For info ph Sue 431 6224, or Pete 021 056 7163  
**Yoga For Everyone** Monday 6-7pm Maungaturoto Hall, Tuesday and Friday mornings 9.30am Paparoa Sports Pavilion. Ph 027 294 4855

PLEASE UPDATE US WITH YOUR DETAILS: [press@paparoa.org.nz](mailto:press@paparoa.org.nz)

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**LOCAL TIDES for August 2022**

TIDES - CALCULATED for PAHI-WHAKAPIRAU

DATE	LOW	HIGH	DATE	LOW	HIGH
1st	7.02	13.21	17th	8.28	14.53
2nd	7.39	13.57	18th	9.12	15.38
3rd	8.18	14.36	19th	10.01	16.29
4th	9.00	15.20	20th	10.54	17.30
5th	9.48	16.11	21st	11.59	18.44
6th	10.44	17.12	22nd	13.13	7.05
7th	11.48	15.23	23rd	14.20	8.14
8th	13.00	6.53	24th	15.12	9.12
9th	14.11	8.06	25th	15.54	9.58
10th	15.15	9.14	26th	16.30	10.38
11th	16.11	10.15	27th	17.04	11.13
12th	17.01	11.09	28th	17.37	11.47
13th	17.48	11.58	29th	18.09	12.20
14th	16.33	12.44	30th	6.33	12.53
15th	7.01	13.28	31st	7.09	13.28
16th	7.45	14.10			

**Community Directory**

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- COAST TO COAST HEALTH CARE**  
 Maungaturoto Medical Centre: 8am-5pm Mon-Fri .... 09 431 8576  
 Paparoa Clinic: Open Tues and Thurs 8am-5pm..... 09 431 7222  
 For urgent after hours medical service (Wellsford)..... 09 423 8086
- DISTRICT NURSE** Dargaville Hospital ..... 09 439 3330  
 Healthline - 24 hour service..... 0800 611 116
- HOSPICE KAIPARA** Dargaville Hospital ..... 09 439 3330
- KAIPARA DISTRICT COUNCIL** Helpline ..... 0800 727 059  
 Mangawhai Office..... 0800 100 388
- KAIPARA PHYSIOTHERAPY** Lyndsay Bargh/Lynne Rhodes...09 4391656
- LINKING HANDS** Health Shuttle Service, Maungaturoto.09 431 8969
- LIONS CLUB PAPAROA** President Jim Rowlands..... 09 431 7290
- MAUNGATUROTO PHARMACY** ..... 09 431 8045
- MAUNGATUROTO REST HOME** ..... 09 431 8696
- OTAMATEA COMMUNITY SERVICES** Community House 09 431 9080
- PAPAROA LIBRARY** Free Membership. Contact .....Jas 022 678 1474  
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- PAPAROA PLAYCENTRE** ..... paparoa@playcentre.org.nz
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## Yarn Heaven In The Kaipara

The Northern Kaipara is now hosting a Yarn festival. The inaugural Kaipara Wool and Fibre Festival is on 14th August, at the Maungaturoto Country Club, for knitters, weavers, dyers, crocheters, crafters and lovers of fibre.

The festival will be showcasing yarn from talented Indie yarn dyers, carded fibre creators along with a selection of accessories and patterns. As well as yarn, you'll see spinning wheels, a weaving loom in action, learn about posture

improvement techniques, or you can treat yourself to a hand and arm massage.

You'll find lots of local wool and fibre traders, from Paparooa, Tinopai, Matakohe, Whangarei, and Warkworth, as well as some well-known yarn brands and designers from further afield.

With such a large selection of traders, from wool, alpaca, mohair and even hemp fibre, you'll find plenty for your projects- all under one roof.

If you prefer to spin your own there will also a great selection of carded fibre. And if you want to get started on your next project without delay, there will be a convenient yarn winding service.

For those of you wanting to learn more, you'll see live spinning and weaving in action.

The onsite café will offer plenty of space to unwind over a tea or coffee or just stitch the day away. So you can catch up with friends, sit, knit and natter.



Confirmed vendors are: Briar Patch, Dye Happy, Fibre2go, Gumtree Gully Alpacas, Happy-go-knitty, Harnie Hoolie's, Inky Fingers, Jumbuck Carding, Kerdon Alpaca, Lovells Yarns, Miro Yarns, Silverhill Alpacas, Stoney Creek Farm, Twisted Zister, and Yarnfloozy. Plenty of

reasons to save the date! Free entry and plenty of parking, with family friendly disabled access. Located 1.5 hours north of Auckland, 1 hour south of Whangarei at 84 Bickerstaffe Rd, Maungaturoto.

Val



## 5 Questions for Belinda Davies

**How long have you lived in the area?** We arrived in July 2021, so one year now.

**What brought you here?** The original plan; a) To downsize our property and live more affordably and sustainably. b) To escape the cold windy weather in Wellington, it's definitely warmer here. c) To be closer and see more of my partner Mike's family and two granddaughters in Auckland but Covid happened and more lockdowns did make that impossible at times. Okay so what to do now, time to pivot!

**What do you do here?** We bought a little shop in Paparooa (not part of the original plan at all). My partner Mike is retired but we like to be busy. So having become addicted to painting (interiors and exteriors) I needed a project, to get myself out of the house and meet more people (mission going well so far). The Paparooa Potting Shed as well as selling plants, local produce and gifts, is going to be a gallery of local artists work and the recently renovated treatment rooms are being rented to local wellness, massage and beauty therapists, the hope is that it will become a busy place and bring more vibrancy back to the village again.

**What do you like about the area?** The beautiful and changing views of the Kaipara harbour. The people and the peace, the native trees and native bird life. We are pleased and privileged to collectively own, manage pests and share in a block of regenerating native bush in Pahi Road with our great neighbours.

**What things would you like to see happen here?** a) Many more potholes and road subsidence repairs. b) The growing of and continued good works of pest and invasive weed elimination and riparian planting for healthier ecosystems.



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