



JULY 2018

Principal appointed



Paparoa Primary School announce the appointment of their new principal.

Mr Simon Schuster will commence this role at the start of term 3. While this will be his first principal position, he has been Assistant Principal at Matarau School for the past five years. Simon enjoys music and drama and the school is looking forward to him introducing 'a regular 'song of the week'.

The school will farewell Mrs Linda Donnelly, interim principal since Term 3 2017, with a shared lunch at the end of Term 2.

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Matariki at The Kauri Museum

There was an air of excitement at The Kauri Museum on Friday 15 June when more than 100 primary school children arrived for the opening ceremony of the annual Matariki Exhibition dedicated to the artwork of primary students within the old Otamatea area. This year's theme is '**Nga Ika o Otamatea**', a study of some of the fish species found in the two harbours of Otamatea; Mangawhai and the Kaipara.



Gathering at the entrance to the Volunteers' Hall the students were greeted by a loud blast from a traditional Maori instrument, the pukaea or trumpet. They were then called into the Hall by Whaea Geraldine Jenkins and welcomed by Matua Bernard Makoare, the maker and player of te pukaea.



Eager questioners during the taonga puoro presentation

Bernard gave a presentation of his Maori musical instruments, nga taonga puoro, to the students, teachers and parents. In conclusion he led his student listeners in an

impromptu 'jam' session using some of the objects from his collection. With assistance from the young audience, a karakia for the exhibition concluded the morning's activities. After lunch, everyone enjoyed an entertaining concert by four kapa haka groups of the schools present. A delicious afternoon tea provided by the Friends of the Museum concluded a wonderful day of Matariki celebration and learning for everyone involved.

Museum CEO Lisa Tolich says "Matariki is a firm favourite on our events calendar and the staff and volunteers of The Kauri Museum enjoy facilitating the transfer of knowledge and wonder across generations".

Matariki continues at The Kauri Museum with a second **Raranga Flax Weaving** workshop scheduled for 24-25 July. The first workshop held in June was a huge success with some very interesting examples of kete completed by the end of the last day.

Nga Ika o Otamatea continues until 29 July with spectacular examples of primary student art on display. You don't want to miss it!

Lisa Tolich, Museum CEO



Mayor Jason joins planting volunteers

More than 30 willing volunteers turned out for HarbourCare's community planting day held at Bryce and Aneta Lupton's property, 'White Rock Hills' to plant up a gully which contributes to a stream already fenced, and adds to previous years' plantings. The weather was fabulous, and about 2,500 trees were planted out.

Mayor Jason Smith was the special celebrity guest, along with other notable attendees namely Kaipara's NRC representative Penny Smart, Alison Whiteford from Beef+Lamb, and Kathryne Easton on behalf of the Integrated Kaipara Harbour Management Group.



Shoh Biscocho, of Ariel Farm, one of the participants on the day

Mayor Jason commented: "It's been a great day. It's really good to support community initiatives like this, and very satisfying to see the results they can achieve. Well done Otamatea HarbourCare. I'll certainly be keen to help out again next year."



Mayor Jason Smith, celebrity volunteer

TV's Country Calendar film crew were present and this particular HarbourCare planting day will be included in a story to be aired in October about the Luptons, who are worthy candidates due to their various initiatives in demonstrating environmental responsibilities on farm.

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From the Editor

This month's issue is unprecedented! Not only is there a message from your editor but we've run to 24 pages, including more colour than before, due to advertiser requirements and a special request. This is a 'one-off' as it's a huge job to compile this many pages and our policy is not to run full-page advertisements.

Our congratulations go to regular advertiser Garnetts Tyre Service of Maungaturoto, which has been in business for 60 years this July. In my childhood years, Garnetts was where you would find my father after he had gone 'downtown' for a while to get petrol, and he would have been 'held up' with Bert and others having a cup of tea with lots of essential town 'talk' (see adverts and story elsewhere in this bumper issue).

In other news from this desk, the Press Gang welcomes school student Maggie Hames to our team. Maggie is contributing as part of her community service towards her gold Duke of Edinburgh Award (DOE). In this issue Maggie has written about the DOE scheme and about the PTA's annual 'Possum Purge', now in its 10th year.

Thanks to all who contribute to this community newsletter and also to our advertisers, we couldn't print without you. And yes, I would like to pass on the Editor's job (see details pg 22) to someone community minded who feels they could step up to the challenge - I could find many other things to participate in instead, as I feel I've 'done my dash'!

Enjoy this mid-winter issue, Sally Taylor, Editor PP.

Whānau talk

Whānau Talk is a new local community service for the Kaipara District based in Paparooa.

The first event '**Welcome Whānau Talk**' will be held at Paparooa Sports Pavillion 10-12 midday on Thursday July 19. Included is a brief introduction about Whānau Talk, morning tea, play resources and games to enjoy. Everyone is welcome. Koha/donation gratefully received.

Contact: Diane on email: whanautalk@gmail.com or 021 292 4105

Whānau Talk is on Facebook: look up Whānau Talk on the Facebook Link.

Diane McKinstry

The Glass Guy



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Civil Defence Community Emergency Plan

The Press has received the following update from Lynne Warbrooke, Paparooa's new Community Response Co-ordinator for Civil Defence (Lynne takes over from Yvonne Yorke in this role):

On Saturday, 9th June, Loraine Rowlands and I attended a joint meeting of the Community Defence groups in the Kaipara including representatives from Poutu, Matakohē, Maungaturoto and Kaiwaka.

I met with Sharon Douglas, Civil Defence Emergency Management Officer for the Kaipara district, to review our own Paparooa Emergency Plan. As many people have come and gone from the area, and many contacts have changed, the plan needs

updating. There have been many changes in the way Civil Defence operates, and the focus is more on building a resilient community in case of an emergency rather than having 'stuff' available just in case something happens.

I will be contacting as many people as possible who are part of this plan over the next few weeks to bring them up to speed on these changes. To update your contact details, please email lynne.warbrooke@gmail.com or phone me on 027 295 3949.

Meantime, if you have a smart phone, an app is available to download called the Red Cross Hazard App. It's completely free and will notify you of any major happenings that might result in a state of emergency or civil defence emergency. Get the app from <https://www.redcross.org.nz/what-we-do/in-new-zealand/disaster-management/hazard-app/> or just google red cross hazard app to find the link.

Watch The Press in the coming months for more updates.

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Medical Society update

Paparoa Medical Society has been working hard to ensure the ambitious project of transforming the former council building into a valuable and lasting asset for the community becomes a reality.

Society Chair, Graham Taylor said "There have been a number of unexpected and unforeseen challenges involved in turning what had been essentially a private home into a code compliant public building. Meeting current code requirements for public buildings is complex and costly. However we are confident that when the renovations are complete Paparoa will have a wonderful facility that will serve the community for many years.

The Society recognises that many in the community have been inconvenienced by the closure of the building. Unfortunately there has been no option but to close temporarily. Planning is now well advanced and it is anticipated that the renovations will commence within the next few weeks. Paparoa Medical Society is fully committed to their objective of ensuring the provision of medical services for the community of Paparoa".

G Taylor, PMS

Be involved, have a say, join PPI

Progressive Paparoa Inc (PPI) will hold its AGM on 18 July in Paparoa Hall at 7.30 pm.

This is an opportunity for community-minded individuals to get involved in an organisation that has a busy role in many of the things that make Paparoa tick.

Over the last 20 years PPI has played a part in making Paparoa what it is today. Many local features that we take for granted are a result of PPI initiatives.

PPI has a continuing role in as Paparoa Press, Farmers' Market, Print Shop, Lions Bush

Walkway, village landscaping and the playground, direct liaison with Kaipara Council, Regional Council and NZTA on issues of concern, Community Notice Board, community events, and Paparoa website.

If you would like to be part of this team and have a say on the direction and development of Paparoa come along on Wednesday 18 July.

You will be very welcome.

Graham Taylor, Chair

Free July weeds workshops

These popular Northland Regional Council annual 'Weed Workshops' are being held during July in Paparoa, Whangārei, Kerikeri and Coopers Beach.

NRC's pest plant specialist, Sara Brill said "These hands-on workshops have a serious purpose, but are delivered in a relaxed and fun way to help people get to grips with what these weeds are and how to control them."



Two free 3-hour workshops will be held at Paparoa Hall Monday 23 July (first session 9-12 and the afternoon session 1-4pm) There is a short presentation, with identification tips and information on control options, including chemicals and other methods.

To Register, call Sara Brill on 09 4700 136 or email sarab@nrc.govt.nz.

Paparoa Business Directory

Progressive Paparoa Inc produces a handy business directory free to residents and distributed with Paparoa Press. It is updated every few years as businesses change and new ones start.

The Directory consists of an A4 card handy to place by your phone or noticeboard. If you would like to have a business listing contact Graham Murray 4316 324 or email gandfmurray@gmail.com with your details.

The cost is \$10 per business which can be given direct to Graham or banked online into the PPI account number 02-0308-0119729-000 (your name as reference).

The deadline is 15 July so don't miss out.

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Libby's Councillor Corner - volunteers

The week of 17-23 June was National Volunteer Week. I'm wondering if it passed you by unnoticed, or did you read or see something which acknowledged the many services, events and activities that can't occur without volunteers.

This year's message was: **'Volunteers are the Heart of the Community'**.

By many, the work will be completed; Ma tini, ma mano, ka rapa te whai.

When you live in a small community it's impossible to miss our volunteers - school PTA and board, sports teams (coaches, fundraisers and managers), churches, garden beautifiers, the Press Gang, Hall committee, Progressive Paparooa Inc., charitable trusts, fire and emergency services, Lions club and many others.

Kaipara District Council's vision of **'Thriving Communities Working Together'** would not occur without volunteers.

Community groups often worry that they can't get young people to become involved in their organisation, that the average age of their members is increasing and that their organisation may not survive in the future.

There are many advantages in having young people involved in organisations - with energy and enthusiasm, they can bring in new life and fresh ideas. In some cases they can help with more physical tasks that older members may no longer be able to easily do.

Young people usually want to have fun while they're helping out, not necessarily being with other young people, but certainly in a group where they can have an enjoyable time. They also may not want to commit to a specific role or take on a long-term commitment, but may be interested in one off or short-term opportunities - more so than older people. They may also be looking for a chance to increase their skills

and add to their curriculum vitae. Opportunities to assist with their careers or increase the likelihood of obtaining a job can be a great motivator.

Communication with young people may also need a different approach. Obviously social media is a major player for them and it can be used to showcase your organisation. It's great to have the Proudly Paparooa Facebook page to send messages out to a younger audience. Photos and video clips help draw attention to what your group is doing.

Volunteering Northland pro-

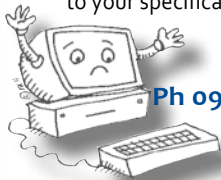
vides a recruitment and referral service for volunteers, and matches them with potential organisations looking for volunteers. It somewhat surprised me that a third of people who contact them about volunteer roles are under 30 years of age. Older people may of course already be volunteering, or know where to go for these roles, but either way this is a good trend for the future of our communities and for citizenship in general.

Libby Jones, 021 208 0093



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Garnett's Tyres 60yr Jubilee

Bert and Elsie Garnett opened their tyre shop on 14 July, 1958 and to this day this same garage proudly serves the needs of the district under Dean and Vicky Garnett's management.

Garnett's Tyre Service is 60 years old this month and although there've have been some major developments over those years, the business remains focussed on delivering friendly and memorable service.

Dean started work with his father in 1974 and in 1989 took over the family business. "I still enjoy serving customers and making their cars run nicely, ensuring they're on quality tyres and that they're safe," said Dean. "We wouldn't be still here if it wasn't for our great customers, so we must share this milestone with them."

Garnett's provides expert service for the varying needs of customers from the everyday driver, to commercial and farming customers.

Since opening in 1958 the workshop has seen three facelifts including the more recent addition of solar panels yet there are still strong links to the store's heritage. Dean added "My dad had a manual tyre machine which is still here and we're proud to still be in the same workshop with Bridgestone and Firestone's backing for all these years".

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Please contact Jane Bailey 431 6148 on behalf of Paparooa Sports and Recreation Association





White Rock 'pops up' again

Yes we're popping up everywhere! The Gallery is moving back into its original building and will temporarily occupy the premises vacated by Paparoa Library until building renovations commence.

We'll be open for business 7 days, 10am-2pm, from Saturday 7 July - with art and craft on offer from our local artists and crafters - So please come and visit.

Thanks to all who've visited our Saturday pop-up opposite the Farmer's Market, and thanks to Robyn Skelton for use of the space. Our return to the library building gives us more space to showcase art and craft from all our members, not just a few.

As always, we're looking for new members and for new 'friends' of the gallery, so if you'd like to join us please contact Stu on 946 9990. (This move is only temporary and we will need to vacate at short notice when renovations begin.) And then ... we'll be looking forward to the grand re-opening of White Rock Gallery in our re-vamped and refreshed (watch-this)-space!
White Rock Committee



Lions Change of officers

As the Paparoa Lions Club enjoyed their Change of Officers evening, a reflection on the year just finished indicated it had been another busy year for members along with plenty of good camaraderie and fun. Our Paparoa, Matakoho, Tinopai and Maungaturoto communities have been served well.



Back row: Pete Hames, Lawrie Stevens, Alistair Banks, Barry Baines, Mark Pilkington, Stephen Seager
Front row: Helen Poot, Jim Rowlands, Bruce Lydiard, Ken Chambers, Alan Hilton

Outgoing President Jim Rowlands took the opportunity to thank everyone for being part of an excellent team. Together they had achieved a lot and their initiatives and efforts had made his job as President a pleasure. Bruce Lydiard, incoming President,

and the new officers for the year were installed by District Governor Frank King-Turner (Wellsford Lions Club). Members of neighbouring clubs who were at the dinner wished Bruce all the best for the new Lions year.

Paparoa Lions

Rainfall breaking all records!

Last year, 2017, was the highest rainfall recorded at the Paparoa weather station operated by the Northland Regional Council with a total of 1,425mm. The 10 year average for the district is 1,163mm.

So far in 2018 (at publishing shut off) there has been 923mm of rain compared with 828mm to 30 June last year. (The average to the end of June over the last 5 years, including 2017, is 604mm)

By 30 June we will have had over 100mm (4 inches) more rain this year than last, and last year was a record! PP

Rain, rain, rain

It rained and rained and rained
The average fall was well maintained
And when the tracks were simple bogs
It started raining cats and dogs



After a drought of half an hour
We had a most refreshing shower
And then, most curious thing of all
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And then at last the Rain set in.

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Plastic and pollution

Pollution of our oceans and waterways is a huge global problem and is being highlighted in the media.

- Virtually half of the plastic ever manufactured has been made in the last 15 years.
- Carelessly disposed of plastic always ends up in the ocean.
- Much of the plastic in the ocean is broken down by those little tiny shrimp-like animals called amphipods, into tiny granules which in turn are eaten by larger fish. You may be eating lots of plastic every time you have fish for dinner!
- The largest market for plastic is for packaging materials.
- About 9.2 billion tons of plastic has been produced since the 1950s and of that amount 6.9 billion tons have become waste AND 6.3 billion tons of this has **NOT** been recycled (National Geographic figures 2017).
- Estimates of how long plastic stays around vary from 450 years to never breaking down.
- Over 700 species of marine animals are affected by plastic. (Never let plastic rings from your 6 pack get into the sea as it strangles fish and birds.) Millions are killed by eating plastic.
- Plastic chemistry- plastics are made up of long chains of repeating links (polymers) made from carbon, hydrogen and oxygen. Cellulose (as in plants) is also made of long chain polymers but they break down naturally. Celluloid was the first plastic invented. Plastics are usually made from crude oil or natural gas with the simple monomers (links) joined using heat, pressure and catalysts.



Stella

From our family to yours Clean Tech

It all started with a question from a yoga student - why, as they are banning plastic bags, don't shops supply us with paper bags?

I don't have the answer - it's possibly a cost thing, but it got me thinking about how consumers are now expected to bring their own bags whilst industry continues to pump out plastic wrapped everything. Please; do carry bags, know what your choices are when buying, and change your habits. And do become aware of how much 'clean technology' has been suppressed from us, due to corporate interest in profits!

How can we become aware of what is 'suppressed information'? Try a Google search for 'free energy', 'salt water powered vehicles', or (if you really want to fall down a rabbit hole) 'full disclosure + suppressed technology'. Luckily free information can be found and it starts you thinking.

Why are companies stopping the release of machines that could provide remedial action to the likes of Fukushima disasters and the plastic filled oceans? Who gave companies

the power to suppress 'free energy' initiatives and limit our access to new technology, such as the (hardly new) idea that hemp can be a fully biodegradable alternative to plastic?

As we find answers, its easy to get angry that 'the wool has been pulled over our eyes' so that these massive companies keep making billions of dollars of profit - but anger won't release 'tech'. Share the knowledge. There ARE alternative options, and when millions of consumers demand to find out what has been hidden, watch how quickly new systems arrive. It starts with each individual opening their eyes, doing their own research to be in charge of the changes we want to see.

The earth is beautiful, it's not broken. It can be fixed where it has been hurt. Without a healthy biosphere, humanity isn't here, so the time is now!!

Jenny



DOE award programme

Joining the Duke of Edinburgh (DOE) programme was one of the best opportunities I have taken. Thanks to incredible people in our area, hundreds of students have been involved in the program and experienced so many new things.



There are three levels of achievement for the award, bronze, silver and gold, and the requirements to complete each stage step up with each level. However, the basics stay the same, learn a skill, participate in a type of physical

recreation, and volunteer in the community. Then of course there are the tramps, the part of Duke of Edinburgh that's the most well known. Through these we students get to explore our beautiful country while learning life-long

What can we do ...

... to help save our planet from plastic?

Start by changing your plastic habits!

- ◆ No plastic bags for your groceries. Help our shop-keepers out. Take reusable cloth shopping bags (yes, it's starting to happen).
- ◆ Avoid plastic packaging wherever possible - don't use plastic plates, cups etc.
- ◆ Don't buy plastic water bottles or coffee cups- carry your own reusable one.
- ◆ Skip using plastic straws unless you have a medical condition requiring one.
- ◆ If you have a baby, look at using alternatives to disposable nappies or ensure they are disposed of to landfill.
- ◆ Recycle where possible. **DON'T LITTER!**

73% of plastics found on beach clean-ups are bottles, caps, food wrappers like chocolate and icecream wrappers, cigarette butt (filters), polystyrene containers and grocery bags. PP



skills, building confidence and having incredible experiences.

Tramps have taken Otamatea High School students all around New Zealand, and even to Nepal! My most memorable tramp so far was last winter when we had planned on walking the Tongariro Northern Circuit but the weather had another idea. We ended up having an amazing time exploring the Central Plateau in the snow, a first experience for a few of our group.

Duke of Edinburgh is definitely not always easy but that's part of it, you challenge yourself, push yourself out of your comfort zone, and often surprise yourself with just how much you can achieve.

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Pins in Paparooa ... Osaka Silenzio

Last month it was mentioned Osaka and his young family have moved into the area, and begun an acupuncture practice working from Skin Image rooms in Paparooa. Locals are already taking advantage of this so the Press caught up with Osaka to learn more about him, and acupuncture.

Since training at the School of Acupuncture in Wellington, NZ-born Osaka has worked for 13 years in the field. The degree he undertook to become an acupuncturist was detailed and complex, as you would expect for a system with thousands of years of history in Asia, and the Western medical side of it gave him the same skill set as a nursing degree.

He describes acupuncture as "a technique for stimulating the body into self-healing", and while there are multiple theories about how it works; Osaka uses it as a system, treating the body as a whole, holistic and integrated place where symptoms might be just the outer links to deeper origin points of disease. "Weaving together different threads of information to get the fabric of the whole person."

For this reason, a typical first consultation with Osaka takes up to 75 minutes, with a full range of questions to find all contributing factors, and build a complete picture of someone, and possibly seemingly unrelated associations.

While some might just hear the word needles, and feel reluctant to give it a go, these are not hypodermic width by any means! It is painless, feeling instead warmth or tingling at the site. An acute situation might need twice-weekly visits, while something with a slower onset could be dealt with fortnightly, to see how things improve as you work together. Osaka's teacher, the late Adejola Olatunji, who started the NZ School of Acupuncture, would recommend people come in spring and autumn, at the fulcrum changes of the



Earth's seasons, to prepare you for the incoming season and help the body adjust.

Osaka is a wise and friendly, open guy who is also currently building his family's home in Paparooa, where he lives with wife Aroha and 20-month-old son Avian. Aroha is a natural performer, and current creative director at an Auckland based organisation helping troubled rangitahi. Osaka's other interests include music, permaculture and attending local te reo classes. The family look forward to settling their roots into the area, and are already feeling warmly welcomed. PP

Bridges progress

The Matakohe Bridges realignment project is progressing well as winter settles in.

The Matakohe River western side abutment/causeway has been built up to 15m which is the finished height and is largely completed (see drone photo at right). Since this photo was taken, further top soil, mulch and metal have been laid as cover to control sediment on the abutment.

Area-specific sediment control measures are in place across the entire 2.5km site to mitigate the impacts of winter

weather.

The large 300T crane located at the eastern side of Matakohe River is now constructing the staging (a temporary bridge) to give access for construction of the new bridge.

The Parerau Stream west and east abutments/causeways have been completed and the piles for the bridge are close to completion. Once the piling is completed at Bridge No.1 the piling rig will be moved to Bridge No. 2.

Earthworks at the western end of the SH realignment is continuing and the 33Kv area-wide power supply lines have been relocated to make way for the new intersection leading to Matakohe township which will be constructed closer to the end of the project.



Bridge 2 - west abutment. photo taken at end of May

Cutting limestone in the old quarry has slowed down now that both of the large bridge embankments have been completed. The quarry will continue to be used as a source of limestone for the slip stabilisation works through winter.

Drone footage is loaded on NZTA's Matakohe Bridges webpage; <http://www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/connecting-northland/matakohe-bridges>.

If you have any queries or feedback regarding drone flyovers or other aspects of the project please contact:

Jenny Scott, Liaison Manager,
Fulton Hogan 0800 900 007

Around the world quiz night



The Paparoa Primary School PTA is holding its annual quiz night fundraiser on Saturday 28 July at the Paparoa Sports Pavilion with this year's theme being 'Around the World'.

Get a team together (no more than 6), choose a country, register and pay for your team at the school office. (Please note: countries will not be duplicated - first in gets to fly the flag!) Let us know if you would like to join a team.

During the night there will be a 'mystery bottle auction'. Tickets are \$15 per person (available from the school 431 7379), BYO drinks, and snacks will be provided. Doors open at 6:30 and the Quiz starts 7pm. Please come and join us!



THE KAURI MUSEUM

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What's on at your Museum

**Events: Flax weaving workshop 24/25 July
2018 Northland Photography Awards**

Exhibitions:

- * *Nga Ika o Otamatea to 29 July*
- * *Tudor Collins - Man of Many Faces*
- * *Textiles - The Everyday Apron*

**FREE ENTRY to the museum for residents of the old Otamatea District
5 Church Road, Matakoho, Northland. p: 09 431 7417 w: www.kaurimuseum.com**

The everyday Apron

The Everyday Apron is an exhibition focussing on the humble apron, currently on display at The Kauri Museum. Its outstanding collection of aprons is used in many displays to complete the picture of early pioneer life in the district. Essential items of dress, aprons performed many functions from protecting the body to displaying the wearer's position within a ceremony.



On entering the Museum, visitors see the apron symbol, which forms an 'apron trail' through the museum to The Everyday Apron exhibition in the Boarding House. The trail highlights the everyday nature of aprons, worn in domestic and work environments. From sawmiller to housemaid, blacksmith to hostess, an apron was part of everybody's wardrobe. The 21st century sees aprons used less in the domestic setting though they're still widely used in industry.

The Everyday Apron exhibition, and apron trail through the museum, has been curated by our dedicated team of textile volunteers. They share their memories of aprons, which gets us all thinking about how useful these underrated garments really are. They discussed who wore aprons and how they functioned. June Weber recounted a story of the coalman (who delivered coal to the family home when she was a child in Dunedin) as he moved from his truck

to the household coal bin, wearing his apron on his back as protection from the dust and weight of the heavy sacks of coal. The washday apron was acknowledged by our volunteers to be an essential item, made from sugar bags with a big pocket in the front for pegs. Recalling that our mothers and grandmothers, fathers and grandfathers used aprons as an everyday necessity, brought back fond memories for all.

The Kauri Museum thanks the Textile Volunteers who have put so much work and effort into this display. In particular we acknowledge June Weber, Joy Bonham, Verity Baines and Margaret Poyner.

There's still time to come and enjoy the exhibition that runs until 15 July. Admission is free for residents of the old Otamatea district, and there are some terrific aprons for sale in the Museum shop.

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So start saving your bits and pieces and get your creative side going.

There will be two adult categories:

1. FOUND OBJECTS – e.g. old watches, nuts & bolts, screws, old jewellery, driftwood, shells, etc, etc
2. RECYCLED TRASH - e.g. plastic, bottle tops, bottles, paper, cardboard, anything you would normally put in your rubbish
3. CHILDRENS SECTION - (under 12) Any of the above.

Entry forms will be available nearer the date, or for further information contact Janice Ph 946 9990



'Say it with flowers' ...

To be able to visit the Chelsea Flower Show in London has long been on the 'bucket list' of Raylee Over, florist and owner of 'Country Blooms' shop in Paparoa CBD. And so, like a dream come true, she has now 'ticked' it off the list along with visits to Kew Gardens and Covent Gardens. All three lived up to expectations completely with not one disappointment.

The Royal Horticultural Show's annual fair, the 'Chelsea Flower Show', is complete with show and artisan gardens, a nursery pavilion, music, shopping and food and drink. For florist Raylee "the history and opulence of it all was stunning; it was inspiring and exciting".

Highlights were the gardens, such as 'Space to Grow', 'Feel Good', the Floral Design section, and the Great Pavilion where the best nurseries of the world showed plants and flowers of many varieties. "The sights, sounds, scents and colours were amazing".

On owning her own flower shop Raylee says it is the beauty



of flowers and the joy when people receive them that she loves. "I will never be on the rich list but every day I get to enjoy what I do". As Luther Burbank (Botanist) said: "Flowers always make people better, happier and more helpful; they are sunshine, food and

medicine to the mind".

Raylee can provide 'Teleflora' and 'Petals' worldwide delivery, local delivery, flowers for weddings, bouquets, fresh and silk arrangements; she has weekly specials and New Zealand gifts on sale. Her hours are 9-4pm Tuesdays-Fridays and 9-12pm Saturdays at the Farmer's Market. PP

Kaka seen around Paparoa, Dargaville

Locals have been keeping a tab on up to four rare kaka that have turned up on various properties around Paparoa over the last two weeks. It is clear from these sightings that, on top of other native trees, kaka have developed a taste for pine pollen which is protein rich making it a useful winter feed source.



Kaka are a large, olive-brown parrot with red-orange underwing and deep crimson belly. Their call is a harsh, repeated "ka-aa" when flying above the forest canopy, harsh "kraak" alarm calls when disturbed. Northland conservation advocate for Forest & Bird, Dean Baigent-Mercer, has previously been quoted as saying pest animals (particularly stoats) drove Northland's mainland kākā to extinction in the 1970s/80s.

Kaka can co-exist with rats, and possibly also with possums, but not with stoats. Populations can, however, recover when stoats and other pests are controlled by trapping or poisoning.

To find out how to trap stoats, rats or possums or to help out with local trapping efforts contact local Pahi conservation trapper Shaun Holland 021 087 75 600 or 431 6453. PP



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'See you in the Woods'

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Cinderella's Step Mother and Step Sisters

This clever Broadway musical intertwines the plots of fairytales such as 'Little Red Riding Hood', 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and 'Cinderella' into a story about a childless baker and his wife and a witch who has placed a curse on them. Children will love the show, but equally it's a 'fairy tale for adults' as the consequences of the characters' selfish wishes and quests prove that in real life things do not always work out 'happily ever after'.

Ray Palmer heads the musical accompaniment, a 'cutting-edge orchestral suite', the latest in interactive-musical technology. The excellent cast includes talented young performers and experienced adults. ORT's theatre has air-conditioning, upholstered seats and EFTPOS available for door sales.

The eight performances run over three weekends - 14-15, 20-22 and 27-29 July (Friday evenings, 7.30 and Saturday/Sunday matinees, 2pm). Purchase tickets online at ort.org.nz or at Tony's Lotto Shop, Maungaturoto (Adults \$28, school students \$15) and don't miss out!

Maura Flower

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Sort out your weekend breakfast with eggs from Carol, the herbs garnish from Maurice and Joanne's tasty marmalade and honey for your sourdough bread available at Good Life stall.

If you don't fancy doing the cooking, Clayton is proving



Abigail and her vegetable stall with shopper Dennise Brownlie

to be more than a pretty face and makes a remarkably good egg and bacon muffin. Raylee has delicious scones for a little sweet treat and her chum Maggie has some delish deli goodies for that lazy Sunday brunch by the fire.

Community stalls are always welcome to take advantage of the vibe. Contact us for your stall as we've got some free spots coming up soon.

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Hilda celebrates 100 yrs



Family and friends gathered in Taipuha on June 23rd to celebrate Hilda McCarroll's 100th birthday. Hilda has an excellent memory and remembers people's names better than many people much younger. Lots of stories from the past were shared to the enjoyment of everyone present. PP

Rosehip seed oil for skincare

As a skin therapist, I regularly use rosehip seed oil in my treatments and prescriptions, yet I had no idea where it came from or how it grows naturally until our recent trip to Central Otago.

Driving from Wanaka to Dunedin, we pulled over to take photos of all the autumn reds and golds on the hillside. I stepped back for a better shot, but straight onto a very thorny bush and just as my husband yelled "be careful of the rosehips!"



flavonoids, polyphenols and carotenoids. I boiled a handful in with green tea - nice and clean but rather bitter!

The oil used in skincare is extracted from

the tiny seeds of the rose hips. It contains high concentrations of essential fatty acids which is needed for cellular membrane and skin regeneration. It is the only oil that contains trans-retinoic acid, the precursor of Vitamin A. To treat photo damaged skin, lipid dry skin and skin with diffused redness I use a pure form of rosehip seed oil.

I'm not sure if Central Otago rosehip bushes are the exact species used to manufacture the oil used for skincare but I'm happy I've now seen, touched, and tasted rosehips.

Nina Quan

Skin Therapist, Skin Image

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I stopped in my tracks, saying "what makes you think that's a rosehip bush?" Now I was confused. Up to then rosehip to me was a pale liquid, rich in omega-3 and omega-6 which I use in my skin treatments - a beautiful oil in a bottle, not these thorny bushes with red berries that were covering the Central Otago hillsides.

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Huarau Station a piece of local history

Huarau Station was opened in 1920 and called the 'Northern Terminus'. In other words this was as far as the railway line had progressed from Auckland on its way to Whangarei.



In those days, trains were the best way to travel for people, goods and livestock (note the double tracks). Also to the right is a 'siding' besides which is a small goods shed with a verandah extending over the track.

This old 'siding shed' is the only remaining original building on the site! The recent photo below is the same shed and a



modern day railway engine on the only track now serving this line. The old station is at the end of Huarau Road (between Paparoa and Maungaturoto). It is North Kaipara Transport's lime and fertiliser

depot and the NKT rubbish and recycling yard. PP

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Dennise - Jill of all trades

Dennise Brownlie calls herself "Jill of All Trades" as during her life she has worked at many jobs, from fruit picking, school dental nurse, hotel housemaid, school cleaner, kumara picker, school secretary, artist, cake decorator, carer, crafts person, ukulele player, actor, wedding and funeral celebrant, museum registrar, mother and grandmother.

"I've married close to 140 couples and most have survived!" she laughs.

"My cake icing is mainly for fun. I love the challenges like the latest one where I painted a real heart (in icing) on the cake for a friend's 70th as he is to have a major heart op very soon. He loved it!!



And then we put sparkler candles in the aorta which is where he is to have a stent inserted."

Dennise has painted for 40 years, specializing in bush paintings which have proven to be very popular. She shows and sells her work at White Rock Gallery in Paparoa. One notable achievement is the mural on the Paparoa toilet block, much admired by tourists and locals alike. "That's my modern style, I call it triangulism".

She also has a passion for music and theatre and was a member of Otamatea Repertory Theatre for over 20 years. On stage, her favourites were playing Queenie in ORT's musical 'Showboat' and just as much the lovable hen, Valmae in the play 'Chook Chook'. For that role she won 'Best Actress in a Comedy' at the Norfolk



Island One Act Play Festival. "Another favourite role, and probably my pick of shows, was playing Jack's mother in the 2008 production of 'Into The Woods' which is on again at the theatre this July."

Dennise is also part of the 'Eccentric Ukes' often seen busking at the Paparoa Farmers' Market.

Conducting weddings and funerals takes up a lot of Dennise's time now that she has retired from her

position at The Kauri Museum. In those days she was often found posing as one of the models and frightening visitors or was dressed as the teacher 'Miss Strict' giving lessons to school children.

Robert, Dennise's husband, is a retired school teacher and she says he has had to put up with a lot during their 47 years of marriage. His favourite comment is that when he is introduced to people they say "Oh, so you're Dennise's husband!"



Northland Photography Awards

Matakohe's Kauri Museum is one of the country's best regional museums and tourist attractions. A jewel in its collection is over 1200 images gifted by photographer Tudor Washington Collins.

Well known for his work as the "kauri cameraman" Tudor captured the glory and grandeur of standing kauri whilst documenting the loss of forests due to the timber and gum industries. Many of his images are displayed within the museum and in the special exhibition 'Man of Many Faces' which celebrates the diversity of his work

Only 4% of our ancient forests remain and they now face the onslaught of kauri die-back disease. The Northland Photography Awards is part of The Kauri Museum's ongoing support of the 'Keep Kauri Standing' programme to stop the spread of this deadly disease. This online photography competition (launched in 2017) has become an annual event. Museum CEO, Lisa Tolich explains "the theme of **Kauri Connections** is chosen to explore how these mighty trees influence our way of life".

The competition has three categories, Primary School student, Secondary School student and Open. The work can take any form, but entries must be based on a photographic image.

From all online entries the judges, Pam Goode, producer and director of commercial photography and video and Stephen Davies, artist and art curator, will choose semi-finalists to go forward for final judging. The finalists' work will be hung at The Kauri Museum, with winners announced at a special awards presentation on 10 August.

In conjunction with the competition, the **Tudor Collins People's Choice Award** runs throughout with voting online. Full details, entry forms and rules are at The Kauri Museum's website <http://awards.kau.nz/> **Entries close 7 July**; restricted to Kaipara, Whangarei & Far North districts residents.

Lisa Tolich

THE KAURI MUSEUM'S NORTHLAND PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS

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You don't need a camera as large as this one held by well-known cameraman Tudor Collins, to be a prize-winning photographer! In fact at last year's competition, The Tudor Collin's People's Choice Award was won by an image taken with a mobile phone.

Don't miss out on your chance to win any of the great prizes on offer this year. Visit The Kauri Museum's website www.kau.nz/tour/awards/ where you'll find all the information needed to make an entry.

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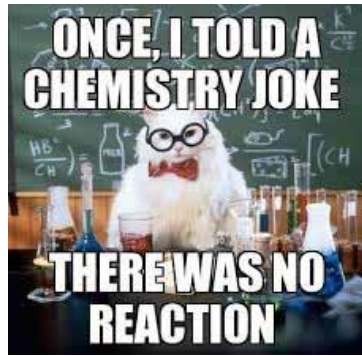
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Whether this is also a joke, who knows?

Laughter is very important for health, and nowadays everything is so serious and dull, its good to have time celebrating humour in our lives.

Q. Where does a polarbear keep its money?
A. In a snow bank!

In light of recent reports of earthquakes and volcanoes here and abroad, the poem below by Hone Tuwhare is a clever and comical explanation.

'A Childrens Tale'

The taniwha breathes fire and hot stones

The taniwha snorts hot dust and steam
Golden snot trickles from his nostrils.

Deep inside the Earth the taniwha takes deep-breathing exercises to keep in shape for when he has to remind us all that we are not as powerful as he.

His name is RU-AU-MOKO
He is the boss of all the taniwha
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Hone Tuwhare



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A. To make up for a miserable summer

Q. What do you get when you cross a cow and a lawnmower?
A. A lawnmooer.

Q. When should you buy a bird?
A: When it's going cheep!



Q. Where do mice park their boats?
A. At the hickory dickory dock.



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10 years of Possum Purge!

Ten years ago a news clip played on TV, catching the attention of a few people at Paparoa Primary School.

It was about a possum hunt that had taken place in another area, both to fundraise and help create environmental awareness. The idea turned into a possum committee and with a lot of hard work they created an annual event, with the first in 2009.

There are an estimated 10 million possums in Northland which are damaging our environment and eating the eggs of our native birds. Over the last ten years Paparoa School Possum Purges have eliminated a total of 7,500 possums! All the fur plucked from them has been sold and the money raised has gone towards many improvements at the school over the years. In the first year of the Possum

Purge, the fur was plucked by committee members, however, when a couple of local pluckers came along out of interest and saw half the fur in the trees, rather than in the bags, they volunteered to help out the next year.

Each year, the prize giving gala held on the Sunday after three days of competition has drawn many people, rain or shine with its bouncy castles, gumboot throws, quizzes and always the big question of who won.

This September will be this event's tenth year which is not just a good fundraiser but it's also good for the environment, good for the fur buyers and of course good fun.

Maggie Hames



A winter month at school

June has been an exciting month at school with many activities. At the end of this term we will farewell Mrs Linda Donnelly, our interim principal since Term 3 of 2017, and at the start of term 3 will welcome our new principal, Mr Simon Shuster.

The whole school visited the Kauri Museum on 15 June for the opening of this year's **Matariki Exhibition**,



Paparoa School's kapa haka performance at Matariki Exhibition

Ngā Ika o Otamatea. We're very proud of Room One who created our artwork depicting the patiki/flounder. We're hoping people will take the opportunity to visit the museum to see these artworks on display.

Rippa Rugby - Years 3 and 4 students participated in the 'Have-a-go day' held at Kaiwaka mid-June.

We were thrilled to receive a grant from the **Environmental Leaders Fund** (Northland Regional Council) for purchase of traps and tracking tunnels to establish pest control practices on school grounds and within

the local community. Throughout the school we have started to introduce the **'Zones of Regulation' programme** enabling students to develop positive strategies to identify and manage their emotions/feelings.

Our wonderful PTA is working hard to organise our two biggest fundraising events for the year. Our annual **Quiz Night** will be held Saturday, 28th July and we will celebrate our **10th Possum Purge and Mini Gala** on 6-9th September. Term 2 finishes Friday 6 July. Term 3 begins Monday 23 July.

Julie Harper

Pets in the Valley



Yes it's definitely winter - just as I sat down to write - a cat decided to help. It's just phenomenal how much mud she has managed to traffic down the hall and into the office! She also managed to get the computer to do things I didn't even know it could do!



Anyway this week I was reminded of the phenomenal healing power of youth and nature. On Monday an extremely gaunt, potbellied, flea ridden kitten came in for rehoming. It had no energy and just slept all day.

We gave it the obligatory worm pill and a flea treatment - it also had a wash to clean it up somewhat and of course we fed it but that was all.

By Friday we had a lovely ginger kitten whose coat was starting to shine, who was playing with toys and who was purring excessively when cuddled. He still had skinny legs and his belly was still a bit out of proportion to the rest of him but what a transformation!

So lovely to see - hopefully soon he will find his forever home and his turn around will be complete.

Take care, Janine



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'The African Touch'



This is the final installment of Graham and Sally Taylor's 'The African Touch' 28 day tour as they continue into Namibia - a country with a population of only 2.6 million people in an area three times the size of New Zealand.

A strong German influence remains in Namibia after South West Africa was claimed by Germany in the late 1800s during the European 'scramble' for Africa. After WW1, the League of Nations mandated South Africa to administer the territory and it became a 'province' of South Africa until its hard won independence in 1990.



Continuing on our travels we crossed the Botswana/Namibia border and over the next three weeks covered extensive terrain of desert landscapes rich in minerals, wild animals, thorny acacia trees, sand dunes (all of which is sparsely in populated)

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Friendly cheetah

Graham T and Penny Goodall on top of Dune 44

Letters from The Old Post Office

L'homme de le shed and ...

le Chateau Tongariro



Wonder of wonders and shock upon shock it is, with some disbelief, reported that the man-of-the-shed has once again set forth to intrepidly adventure where many have gone before, although not necessarily in quite the same way.

Suspend your preconceived ideas dear readers, and picture this. The man out of the shed fetchingly attired in a French blue, checked shirt, casually slung scarf and palely beige trousers nonchalantly checking in to Reception at that grand old establishment, the Chateau Tongariro. Visualise this sophisticated figure striding across the carpeted foyer (and not tripping on the cunningly disguised steps) to the lift area followed obsequiously by the valet. Quelle splendeur. Quel manly vigour ...

Still suspending your disbelief follow our hero as, freshly spritzed with eau de Lynx, and to the manner born, the waiter is summonsed to our fireside armchairs. Vintage Champagne and Steinlager ordered, the antique ambience is enjoyed. Huge sparkling chandelier and tinkling piano music add romance and mystery. C'est vrai?

On return to the boudoir reality returns. Disbelief can now be defenestrated and the man of the shed returns to a more natural habitat. The ancient radiator is (and clearly has been for some time) not fully functional. Clad in workmanlike underwear the man of the shed is equal to the task. The radiator is partially dismantled with a handy butter knife and bottle opener and reassembled. Magnifique! The room is soon toasty warm and the man of the shed truly satisfied. One can take the man out of the shed but the shed can not be taken out of the man.

PS - please feel free to adjust the le or the la, the quel or the quelle to the correct grammatical form

PSS - **defenestrate**, such a lovely word, and an action no longer legal in schools: to throw out the window ...

Deb

... Safari in Namibia

(Continued from previous page 19)

through to the Atlantic coast at Swakopmund and back inland to Windhoek.

Sights visited and explored included the amazing Waterburg Plateau and Spitzkoppe Mountains at sunrise and sunset with ancient rock paintings and carvings of animals depicting the life-style of some of Africa's earliest known people.

There was the 50 ton Hoba Meteorite which struck earth some 80,000 years ago, Dune 44 (one of the world's highest dunes) to climb, the crowded Cape Cross seal colony, Fish River Canyon (the world's second largest and over 500 million years old), !AiAis hot springs, the Giant's Playground at Keetmanshoop (massive rocks stacked up precariously for miles around) and the quiver forest (giant aloes - their hollow branches used as quivers for arrows).

And, everyday, there were hot

days with bright blue sky and starlit sky at night.

We interacted with some of the Kalahari Bushman (San) tribe and later on the Himba who are unique for their ocre body butter, traditional hair 'dreads' and extensions, leather clothing and body ornaments.

Like many African tribes they've now embraced tourism - charging fees for visits and offering many saleable souvenirs such as necklaces, bracelets, anklets and wooden animal carvings.

Many wild animals in Etosha National Park were seen including lion, rhino and zebra, giraffes, springboks, wildebeests, ostriches and we were close up to leopards and cheetahs, purring and licking our legs.

At journey's end we farewelled our fellow travellers with a fantastic meal at the renowned Joe's Beer House before flying back home to reality but with many great memories to keep.



Himba tribe's distinct hair



Karoma Kimani, tour leader, in Giants' Playground

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It's time to think about what you want to grow next season and check out the catalogues. Hopefully you have planted your garlic, cleaned up around your fruit trees and cleaned up around the perennials. Broad beans should be growing well by now if you like them.

If your strawberry plants need replanting or if you need new ones, now is the time. Feed them with a good dose of sheep pellets. If you have a raised garden and netting over the top you'll have a better chance of beating the birds.

You can start planting early spring seeds towards the end of this month, but do it in a protected environment as it can be cold at night. A hot bed is a good investment if you want to get started early with seed sowing. It's also time to plant and prune roses this month and to plant sweet peas, poppies and calendulas, but watch out for the slugs and snails.

I've had so many chokos. They are so versatile. If after you've made pickle, and you still have some to spare, use them in stir-frys. Roasting is also a possibility.

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Junior Speech winners

The Lions Club of Paparoa enjoyed the quality of speeches presented by speakers from Paparoa, Matakohe and Maungaturoto Primary Schools, Otamatea High and Otamatea Christian School at the 'Annual Schools Speech Competition' held in May. The winners of the junior section (years 5 & 6) were Anwen Davies (1st Place) and Brooke Healey (2nd Place) both of Paparoa School. President Jim Rowlands is pictured presenting the Junior Cup to Anwen at school assembly with Brooke standing behind her.

Anwen's winning speech is printed below. Brooke's speech "The importance of good manners" will be printed next month.



Kaiwaka School Seeks Community Support



Kaiwaka School has a thriving kapa haka group and most of the pupils are involved. It's an enthusiastic and joyful rōpū led by the dedicated Mina Paikea.

With the school roll growing rapidly there are not enough piupiu (flax costumes), and those they have are over 20 years old! The plan is to buy new handcrafted piupiu that honour the performer's mana and the mahi that they put into performing.

To do this, we're asking the wider community for help. The Board of Trustees will cover half the cost and we need help for the other half.

A GiveALittle page has been set up for fundraising. Every dollar can make a difference. Please share with friends and whanau, and support Kaiwaka School.

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The History of Whittakers Chocolate ... speech by Anwen Davies

Imagine, if your parents owned a chocolate factory. How popular would you be at School? Well, that was the same for Matt and Holly Whittaker. They were very popular at school and they didn't even know why! They thought it was normal- their Dad working in a chocolate factory.

My Dad doesn't own a chocolate factory. But I do like Whittaker's chocolate and today you will learn how this iconic New Zealand chocolate company came about.

The story of Whittaker's begins in Manchester, England 1868 when James Henry Whittaker, known as JH, was born. At the age of fourteen he started working in the cocoa department at a confectionary company in Birmingham. Eight years later, JH was married and on a boat heading to Christchurch, New Zealand where he set up a business importing boiled sweets and other confectionary. Do you think he sold his sweets at the supermarket? The answer is no, because supermarkets only came to New Zealand in 1931 (more on that later). Instead JH jumped on his horse and sold sweets door to door.

In 1911 he moved to Wellington and set up a factory there. He named his business 'JH Whittaker and Sons'. He had

some setbacks along the way. The toffee wrapping machine he ordered during World War 1 was torpedoed on the way to New Zealand and is now ... at the bottom of the ocean.

Over the next 30 years business went well. He moved to a bigger factory, employed more staff and in 1936 he started making chocolates. When the first supermarket did open in 1931, Whittaker's got the contract to supply confectionary. Unfortunately war arrived again and stopped all chocolate making. Lots of staff lost their jobs and they reduced their range from 120 to just 3! After the war JH sadly passed away, but this wasn't the end of Whittakers. His children took over the company and continued making just a few products.

They are now the biggest New Zealand owned company. They make 15 million big blocks a year, at a factory in Porirua with 80 employed staff. They still only produce mostly

chocolate now, but I think it's good because chocolate's my favourite. They don't just sell them in New Zealand anymore, they export round the world. In Singapore this almond block in my hand is the biggest selling chocolate.

They really are a family working together and the Whittaker children, are definitely still the most popular kids at school.

Anwen Davies

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Rotary projects and news

Our regular speakers at evening meetings always give interesting insights into the unique nature of people in our communities. We recently hosted 26 other Rotarians from other clubs within our district. It's great to interact and learn about specific projects they are undertaking.

Driver Mentoring This is gaining success and popularity. Already one restricted licence has been gained and there are a growing number of people being mentored. If you're interested in accessing the scheme please call Te Roroa (who do the bookwork) 0800 55535, for eligibility.

'Pecking Order' Watch for this fundraiser - a Kaiwaka Friday night movie - in co-ordination with Haku Scouts.

Rotary Youth Leadership Course (RLI) John Kenworthy-Thompson participated (with 40 other young people), gaining much motivation

from the many discussions, activities and problem-solving exercises offered.

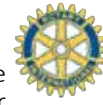
Albie's Community Auction Rotary supported this auction which raised up to \$5000 for the Dementia unit. Although the inclement weather was off-putting, those who came went away with great bargains.

Whangarei Speech contest Maddy Lemuelu of Otamatea High School represented our club with her thought-provoking speech. She quoted: "the best stories are pages in your passport" and "alone we can do so little, together we can do so much" - something we've

all learnt when completing projects. Rotary wishes Maddy well for her forth-coming student exchange to Spain.

Nikau Grove, Whaka Road. Several working bees have been held involving rotarians, community members and DOE students. The newly metalled pathway is better to follow and two new bridges will protect kauri roots near the path and go over a stream. Volunteers have spent up to 40 hours on this area so far.

If you're interested in learning more about Rotary you can access our website www.rotarymgto.club Eileen Parsons



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What are Pandi and Byron up to now?

It's been three years since the Press stopped in to visit Pandi and Byron, a new couple in town, and a lot has changed in their world.

Pandi's expanded her ethical organic chair designs and now includes stools. "To the lay-person it might seem similar, but chairs and stools are very different, actually."

Byron's work in the consultancy industry has taken a dip, and he is instead focussing on letting his creative side out. "I've been really getting into abstract pottery, I love getting my hands dirty (inside gloves) and creating one-off pieces that sell for exorbitant amounts." When pressed, Byron admitted his works don't often sell locally, as people around here aren't that interested in buying a

lump of - essentially useless - hardened clay for \$7k! However, he admits the methamphetamine industry boom is great for his focus on work, sometimes days on end.

Their garden is looking great too, filled with exotic delights. "I'm not even sure anymore what I can eat or not," Pandi shares, as she munches on some dock, "But since we are now vegan, I figure everything green is edible." The paddocks have been cleared of the boutique free range livestock, slaughtered to make space for a turtle sanctuary. "People don't realise how active turtles can be, I can watch them all night." Byron shares dreamily.

Open about the future, they said "You never know what opportunities might arise", and they've redesigned their home since we called in 2015. Currently there's plans for even newer renovations - a double-storey conservatory, and helicopter landing pad. "Also, 'Air BnB' has inspired us to open a boutique-sugar-free-vegan-gluten-free B'n'B where people can sleep in carefully re-constructed old milking sheds. It's very popular in Matakana ..."

Good on you Pandi and Byron for continuing to push the boundaries of lifestyle living, we look forward to seeing what you'll do next!

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OUT & ABOUT AROUND TOWN

The Press brings success!

Because of our article on the Paparooa Show, NKAA has welcomed Steve McKinstry who has taken on the treasurer's role AND we also have a goat administrator, Teresa Aitkins. NKAA has welcomed both onto the team. Thanks to Paparooa Press!

The Kauri Museum's Northland Photography Awards online competition is open for entries. Go to www.kau.nz for rules and details. Entries must be uploaded by July 7 (see pg 15).

This year's Paparooa School's Quiz Night - 'Around the World' will be held Saturday 28 July (see details pg 9).

Look for the AGM notices these pages for Progressive Paparooa Inc (PPI) and Paparooa War Memorial Hall Society Inc.

We were saddened by the loss for both the Metcalfe and Brett families on the deaths of Summer Metcalfe, and Alicia Brett respectively. Our condolences are with you.

Annual Skeltons' Winter Sale

Starts 2nd July and runs to the end of the month. With 30% off all fashion wear, 20% off ladies dress shoes and 10% off everything else when you spend over \$30 (excluding school uniform) don't miss out! (See advert pg 11).

A Fun 'Dog Day' is proposed by Paparooa Hall committee for Sunday 14 October with categories such as cutest puppy, best tricks, junior handler, looks like owner, best dressed, scruffiest, waggiest, etc. plus agility & obedience, demonstrations. Register your interest in particip[ating] at Skeltons Drapery or to lorainerowlands@gmail.com

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Into The Woods ORT's musical theatre 8 performances 14-29 July (details page 11)

Free NRC weed workshop 23 July 9am-12 and 1-4pm. Paparoa Hall. Register 09 470 0136

PTA Quiz Night Saturday 28 July Sports Pavillion, 6.30pm

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4th	8.42am	3.05pm	20th	10.38am	5.07pm
5th	9.27am	3.51pm	21st	11.36am	6.09pm
6th	10.16am	4.43pm	22nd	12.37pm	6.38am
7th	11.10am	5.41pm	23rd	1.39pm	7.39am
8th	12.08pm	6.03am	24th	2.35pm	8.36am
9th	1.10pm	7.05am	25th	3.24pm	9.27am
10th	2.11pm	8.05am	26th	4.07pm	10.12am
11th	3.09pm	9.04am	27th	4.47pm	10.53am
12th	4.04pm	10.01am	28th	5.23pm	11.31am
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Overall winner: Old Dairy Factory, Ruawai - Chloe Smith



Overall Runner-up: Gordon Coates Matakoho Memorial Church - Jed Town

Chloe wins the Whangarei Harvey Norman high quality canvas print, and Jed a quality photo frame from Skelton's Drapery, Paparoa. Our thanks to all entrants to our competition, we have all been thrilled with the quality and wide variety of photos sent to us. And thank you to our sponsors: Lynne Warbrook of Pegasus Engraving for the monthly prize, Robyn Skelton (Skelton's Drapery), and Whangarei's Harvey Norman, for their enthusiastic support.

If anyone has some ideas for a subject for next year's photograph competition, please let us know at press@paparoa.org.nz. PP



The Old Slaughterhouse, Paparoa Station Rd
Bev Simons



Whakapirau Wharf from Pahi
David Torrance



Old Pig Sheds, Huarau
Stuart Brown



5 Q's for Maggie Hames

Who are you? I'm Maggie Hames and I'm 16 years old. My parents are Libby Jones and Pete Hames and I've got an older sister, Rita

Where do you live and go to school? I live in Taipuha so I went to Paparoa Primary School and I'm now in year 11 at Otamatea High School.

How long have you been in Paparoa? I've been in Paparoa my whole life, and my Dad's family has been here for over 150 years.

What interests do you have and plans for your future? At the moment I'm playing netball, badminton, learning the piano and completing my Duke of Edinburgh gold award. I don't have any solid plans for the future but I'm hoping to travel and have a job that allows me to help people.

Why are you writing for The Press? To complete my Duke of Edinburgh community service of

volunteering four hours a month for a year. I thought this would also be a great way to both learn a new skill and share some stories. PP



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