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Trolley racers go head-to-head in gravity powered showdown



Karmi Steyn successfully navigates the infamous crash corner at last Sunday's trolley derby.

With just five seconds separating the top 11 racers, competition was fierce at last Sunday's G.J. Gardner Beachlands Maraetai Trolley Derby. Damp course conditions challenged drivers' skills and mettle, and in the end it was Kirk Vosper who picked up the fastest lap time of 31 seconds.

The King of the Hill finale event pitted the two fastest drivers of the day against each other, and a close fought race saw Kirk Vosper cross the finish line first.

Organiser John Stacey says the event was another great success, with over 40 trolleys entered on the day.

Age category results were:

Age 15+
Kirk Vosper (also winner of King of the Hill)

Age 12-14
Josh Metcalf

Age 7-11
Jay Brunton

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Editorial by Hūnua Ararimu & Paparimu Valley Residents Association

Watch out! Crack willow trees and criminals both have good reason to fear Hūnua Ararimu Paparimu Valley Residents Association!

Hūnua Ararimu Paparimu Valley Residents Association (HAPVRA) members are making good progress in their quest to rid Wairoa River of invasive crack willows and remove another pest from their rural communities ... visiting criminals!

HAPVRA members are investigating the purchase of some new hand-held 'INJECTA 400 guns', which insert water soluble glysophate herbicide pellets and wooden dowels into tree trunks to help control the spread of invasive willows. The Australian invention has been imported by ADAMA New Zealand and HAPVRA members were impressed by a practical demonstration.

HAPVRA co-chair Geraldine Schnauer said the feedback was that INJECTA 400 guns provided a safer, quicker option than traditional tree poisoning methods: "Punching herbicide capsules into a tree trunk seems like a faster, less messy option

than squirting liquids into drilled holes. We would like to purchase some guns for Working Bees and to also hire out to residents who want to tackle crack willows trees themselves. If we can get rid of crack willows, then the river will flow better, there'll be less sediment, more room to replant the banks with native species —and less flooding."

Friends of Te Wairoa Catchment members were similarly impressed by the INJECTA 400 device.

Meanwhile, Clevedon resident Dan Thompson has been assisting with investigations into installing CCTV into Hūnua Village. Dan was one of the drivers for introducing cameras into Clevedon, and before Christmas he visited Hunua, along with an installer, to advise where CCTV cameras could be set up to gain maximum visual vantage of cars entering and leaving the main street.

HAPVRA co-chair Jane Berney says two unfortunate incidents in Hūnua in 2023 prompted the idea: "Sadly one of our shops was robbed and then a visitor to our Christmas Market defrauded stallholders by making false bank deposits. We hope CCTV will act as a real deterrent but if

suspicious activity was to occur, we could give footage to NZ Police,

"We know that CCTV cameras are already working well in Beachlands and Clevedon and by linking up to the Police's live number plate recognition system, we hope to eventually create a safe triangle, so that criminals can't drive through any of our three valleys without being spotted."

More details on the crack willow pest eradication initiative and CCTV cameras proposal will be discussed at an upcoming community event to be held at Camp Adair, Hūnua. Some refreshments will be provided by a small grant from Auckland Council to recognize the first anniversary of Cyclone Gabrielle, which caused widespread damage to rural communities.

Meanwhile plans are underway for the Hūnua Village markets to take a turn in Ararimu. "The Markets have always been about celebrating all three communities," says Jane Berney. "While they've been held in Hūnua for several years, it's lovely to see the market take its turn in Ararimu. We know the markets are a social hub: for people to connect, for community and environmental projects to share their news, as well as shopping from many local producers and makers."

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Board seeks feedback about targeted rates for pathways

Franklin Local Board is asking local residents if they are happy to pay \$1 each week, for the next 10 years, to undertake work on pathways and trails.

The Board is consulting about its plan for a targeted rate, which would raise money to be spent on projects which Auckland Council is unlikely to fund. The \$52 per year would be added to landowner's rates bills, but would be specifically earmarked to be spent within the subdivision it was collected from according to legislation.

Franklin Local Board chair Angela Fulljames says the board has identified a number of trail and pathway projects which

it would like to complete to enable kids to ride or walk to school, reduce small trips by car and provide safer connections, as well providing recreational enjoyment.

Angela says the targeted rate is a way of generating local funding, empowering the board to spend the money and be accountable on local projects that the community wants.

The \$20 million which would be raised by the targeted rate over 10 years would only be spent on trails and pathways. Franklin Local Board has identified the following projects within the Wairoa subdivision that would be funded by the targeted rate:

Beachlands/Maraetai:

- Shelly Bay Road footpath
- Liberty Crescent footpath
- Maraetai School Road to Te Puru Park pathway
- Maraetai Beach School pedestrian crossing

Clevedon:

- Clevedon Scenic Reserve to Clevedon North boardwalk and path
- Clevedon Village to Tourist/McNicol corner (via McNicol Road) pathway

Kawakawa Bay/Ōrere:

- Kawakawa Bay coastal path linking First and Second Bays

- Ōrere Village to Ōrere School path

Hūnua:

- Hūnua Road footpath (from the service station to Cowan Road)

Whitford:

- Whitford War Memorial Domain to Whitford Maraetai Road path
- Whitford marine coastal section, Broomfields Road to Strathfield Lane

Local residents are encouraged to have their say about whether or not they support the targeted rate. For more information and to make a submission, see www.franklinpathsandtrails.org.

Boil water notice issued after E. coli detected in bore water

A boil water notice was issued last week to Beachlands residents whose water is supplied by Beachlands Networks Ltd.

The notice was sent last Thursday after E. coli was detected at one of the water network's regular testing sites, which it monitors monthly.

At 1 MPN (most probable number) per 100ml, the E. coli reading was the lowest it could be. However it did raise the question of whether the water supply was contaminated.

Beachlands Networks Ltd spokesperson Christine Dawson says that Beachlands Networks Ltd issued a boil notice to its customers as a precautionary measure,

while waiting for the country's national water services regulator, Taumata Arowai, to review the test results. Taumata Arowai later advised that a boil water notice was not necessary, as the positive test was isolated to a single testing site and indicated a low risk of contamination.

Beachlands Networks continued to adopt a precautionary approach. "Safety was the first thing," says Christine. "I'd rather people were boiling water unnecessarily than risking getting sick."

The boil water notice affected approximately 80 residential properties and 30 commercial properties in Beachlands including Woolworths.

Christine says the water supplied by Beachlands Networks is drawn from a bore, and goes through several treatment processes including filtration, chlorine, UV treatment and water softener before being delivered to households and businesses.

Following last week's weak positive E. coli result, the company flushed its entire system.

"Once we've had two clear tests we'll be confident enough to lift the boil water notice," says Christine. In the meantime Beachlands Networks said it would continue to test the water regularly and increase its chlorine levels slightly until there was no trace of E. coli.

Christine says she is not sure how long E. coli may have been in the water. "We can say with absolutely certainty that it wasn't there one month ago, when we last tested."

The boil notice was suspended last Sunday following renewed testing which showed no trace of E. coli in the water.

Taumata Arowai considers an E. coli test result of 1-10 MPN/100ml as low risk, 10-100 MPN as moderate risk and >100 MPN as high risk.

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Maraetai Beach School hosts cultural exchange visitors

In 2019, 19 intermediate school students along with teachers and parents from Maraetai Beach School visited Weiyang Jinyuan Primary in Xi'an China on a cultural exchange. Since then the schools have remained connected through online activities, and last week it was Maraetai Beach School's turn to reciprocate, welcoming 24 students and their teachers from Weiyang Jinyuan Primary School.

The Chinese students spent the week with host families, experiencing a 'Kiwi' education and seeing all the Pōhutukawa Coast has to offer.

"We are so pleased that the students and teachers are now able to visit us and we hope that the relationship will continue to strengthen and we will have many other opportunities for our children to visit and to learn from one another," says Maraetai Beach School principal Mark Keenan.

Mark says cultural exchanges help children develop an appreciation for diversity.

"They learn to understand and respect different traditions, customs, languages, and perspectives, fostering cultural awareness and sensitivity. Cultural exchanges challenge children to adapt to new environments, overcome language barriers, and navigate unfamiliar



Maraetai Beach School welcomes staff and students from Weiyang Jinyuan Primary School.

situations. This promotes resilience, independence, and problem-solving skills, fostering personal growth and development."

Maraetai school's kapa haka group

welcomed the Weiyang Jinyuan Primary visitors with a pōwhiri, before the visitors performed some contemporary dance numbers on the school stage.

Weiyang Jinyuan Primary School

principal Mr Fa said of his students: "It would be the greatest fortune in their lives to create friendships with students at Maraetai Beach School."

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- by Isla, Year 3, Clevedon School



Students from Weiyang Jinyuan perform a contemporary Chinese dance.

Te Puru Trust farewells Chair

- article supplied by the Te Puru Community Charitable Trust

After more than 5 years of dedicated service, Mat Tucker has resigned as The Trust Chair for the Te Puru Community Charitable Trust. Mat has left a positive mark on the governance of the Te Puru Community Centre, fostering positive change, and steering it towards greater success. Under Mat's leadership, the Trust has overcome some significant challenges such as the COVID-19 pandemic and the Auckland Floods; as well as overseeing many significant advancements in the community centre such as the building of the new admin block.

During Mat's time as Trust Chair he spearheaded numerous initiatives including implementing an enhanced strategic plan. Mat's commitment to excellence has been instrumental in driving positive change and ensuring the Trust's long-term sustainability.

Under Mat's guidance, the Trust has experienced remarkable growth and expansion. Mat worked closely with the Auckland Council and Franklin Local boards to seek out strategic partnerships and collaborations, enabling the organisation to extend its reach and impact. Through these alliances, the Trust has been able to leverage additional resources, expertise and support, ultimately benefiting the

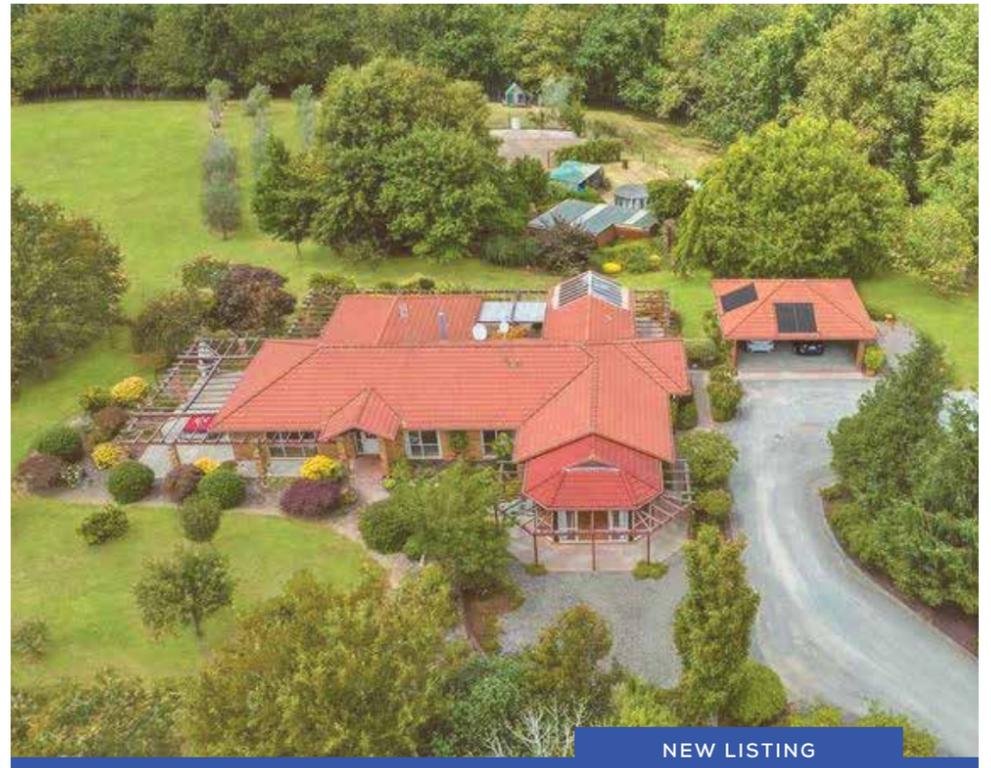


Mat Tucker has resigned from the Te Puru Community Charitable Trust. Photo / LinkedIn.

Pōhutukawa Coast community.

In addition to his governance achievements, Mat has been a passionate advocate for the Trust's mission and values. His dedication and tireless efforts have inspired staff, affiliated clubs, local boards and councils, fostering a sense of unity and shared purpose. Mat's ability to effectively communicate the Trust's vision for the Te Puru Community centre has garnered widespread support and recognition for the Te Puru Community Charitable Trust.

The Te Puru Community Charitable Trust would like to thank Mat for his time and dedication to the Trust. We wish him well in all his future endeavours.



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The 47th NZ Polo Open held Sunday 18 February was a very close game between team Ecogas (Paco O’Dwyer - Argentina, Glenn Sheriff - NZ, George Cronin - NZ, Bruce Fraser - NZ) and team Brinks (Matt van den Brink - NZ, James Harper - UK, Bud Sorby - Australia, Jimbo Fewster - UK). Brinks triumphed near the close of the game, taking the nation’s top polo title with a full time score of 9-8.

With a field of polo players from all over the world, New Zealand, Australia, England, and Argentina the competition between the teams was fierce, with the score at the end of the third chukka 6-4 to Ecogas.

Champion pony went to Lola, owned by Ash Reader, ridden by James Harper.

Best retained Thoroughbred (an award created in collaboration between NZ Polo Open and Love Racing) went to Shooter, owned by Thomas Hunt, ridden by Paco O’Dwyer.

Most valuable player of the match went to Clevedon’s Bruce Fraser, from team Ecogas.

The event was well supported by locals, many of whom commented that it was a great opportunity to reconnect with friends and neighbours.



Team Brinks, winner of the 47th NZ Polo Open: L to R Jimbo Fewster James Harper, Bud Sorby Matt van den Brink. Photo by Selena Wright.

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Court space in demand as pickleball fever takes hold in Clevedon

The launch of pickleball sessions at the Clevedon Community Hall has been overwhelmingly popular, says pickleball coach and organiser Han Le.

The odd-sounding sport of pickleball has experienced a significant increase in popularity internationally. While it originated in the United States in the mid-1960s, it has gained traction in other countries as well. Canada, the United Kingdom, Australia, Spain, and Japan have been quick to adopt the game.

Pickleball's appeal lies in its accessibility to people of all ages and skill levels, as well as its relatively low barrier to entry in terms of equipment and court space requirements.

Han Le describes it as being like a cross between badminton and tennis, using a pickleball paddle and a lightweight plastic ball.

"It's an easy game to learn, and you don't need a particularly high level of fitness or sporting ability to be able to play. Anyone can get involved."

The Clevedon sessions are held each Thursday from 6-7.30pm.

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Weekly events

MONDAY

- **BABY CHAT** 10.30-12:00pm, Beachlands Baptist Church, Age 0 to 1 yrs.
- **CASUAL BADMINTON:** 7.30-9pm, Te Puru Centre, \$6. Ph:536 5360.
- **ST JOHNS YOUTH:** 6-7.30pm, St Hilda's Church, Wakelin Road.
- **CASUAL TABLE TENNIS:** 7.30-9pm. Te Puru, \$6.
- **SOCIAL TENNIS:** Adults beginners/intermediate 7-9pm Te Puru. Stephen 021 217 7587.
- **KEAS:** scouts for ages 6-8 - 5:30-6:30 Te Puru Scout Hall, tepuru@group.scouts.nz
- **CUBS:** scouts for ages 8-11 - 5:30-6:30 Te Puru Scout Hall, tepuru@group.scouts.nz

TUESDAY

- **COASTAL PLAYGROUP** 5 Jacobs Way, Maraetai. 9am-12pm. Bubs till 5 yrs. Sarah 022 082 6432.
- **KOKAKO VOLUNTEER DAY:** 8.15am-3.30pm, Northern Hunua Ranges. Ruth 021 950 915.
- **RUMMIKUB** 1-4pm, Te Puru Centre \$2. Bernadette 021 170 9350.
- **NATTER N STITCH** 12-3pm, Log Cabin, Sunkist Bay. Gill 021 204 6647
- **MARAETAI (LAWN) BOWLING CLUB:** 1pm, Te Pene Road. Tues, Thurs, Sat. Derek 536 4626.
- **CASUAL BADMINTON:** 9:30-11:30am, Te Puru Centre, FREE.
- **TABLE TENNIS** - 1:30pm-3:30pm, Te Puru Centre - Free
- **BASKETBALL:** All ages, Te Puru Centre. Email pcbasketballclub@gmail.com. 027 775 5320.
- **MEN'S AND INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED LADIES TENNIS:** 7-9pm, Te Puru. Stephen 021 217 7587
- **HOUSIE/BINGO** 7.30pm, Beachlands Chartered Club, \$15. Ph: 536 6233.
- **POHUTUKAWA COAST CHILDREN'S CHOIR:** For primary school ages, 3.30pm - 5pm, at Ray White 'The Shed', contact Rhianon 0212160224.
- **POHUTUKAWA COAST YOUTH CHOIR:** For intermediate and high school ages, 5.15pm - 6.30pm, at Ray White 'The Shed', contact Rhianon 0212160224
- **POHUTUKAWA COAST COMMUNITY CHOIR:** 7.15 - 8.45pm. coastchoir.com
- **THE GOOD KNIGHTS SOCIAL CHESS** 7:00 - 8:30pm. Beachlands Baptist Church, 59 Third View Ave. Runs fortnightly (usually 1st & 3rd Tues of the month). All ages and skill levels welcome. Contact 022 656 1154 for more info.

WEDNESDAY

- **JP SERVICE:** 5.00-6.30pm, Beachlands Library.
- **COASTAL MAINLY MUSIC** 9am-12pm, for 0-5yrs, 5 Jacobs Way, Maraetai. Sarah 022 082 6432.
- **SENIOR CIRCUIT:** 9am \$6 Te Puru Centre. First Wednesday of the month BYO plate for coffee after.
- **CASUAL BADMINTON:** 10am-12pm, Te Puru Centre. All welcome. FREE.
- **SENIOR STRETCH & STRENGTH:** 9-10am, Beachlands Memorial Hall, \$12 per month (8 sessions).
- **PEST CONTROL DAY:** Southern Hunua Ranges, Ruth 021 950 915.
- **MASTERS SWIMMING:** Wed/Sat, carpool from Bchinds-Mtai. president@manukaumasters.co.nz.
- **"CREATIVE WINGS" ART FOR SENIORS:** 10am-12pm, St Hilda's Church, Beachlands.
- **CLEVEDON FIRESIDE BRIDGE CLUB:** 10.15am, Clevedon Anglican. Lessons avail. Pauline 299 7433.
- **SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLUB:** 7.30-9.30pm, Hillpark Primary School Hall. Heather 267 6375.
- **MAHJONG:** 10am-12pm, Te Puru, \$2.
- **QUIZ NIGHT:** 7.30pm. Teams of up to 6, \$5pp Every second week Beachlands Chartered Club 536 6233
- **BADMINTON GAMES:** 8pm, Clevedon Hall, BYO racquet, shuttlecocks provided, \$3. Rebecca 021 1109 675
- **WORN AGAIN OP SHOP,** 9.30am-12pm, The Cottage, 5 K Bay-Orere Rd, Kawakawa Bay.
- **COASTAL TREASURES** Open Wednesday - Saturday, 10am-4pm, 41 Third View Ave, Beachlands. Donations welcome Monday, Wednesday and Saturday before 7pm at 25 Liberty Crescent (unless raining) or phone Tania on 021 644 722 for appointment.

THURSDAY

- **MAINLY MUSIC.** 9.30am, Beachlands Baptist. Morning tea provided. 021 385 535.
- **GENTLE EXERCISE FUN & FRIENDSHIP FOR SENIORS 65YRS+:** \$5 per session 10am-12.00pm St Hilda's Church Hall, Wakelin Road, Beachlands. Contact Christine Bruinsma 021 133 5283.
- **LINE DANCING:** 10-11am, Beachlands Hall. Karen 021 213 6020.
- **TOY LIBRARY:** 10am-12pm, 59 Third View Ave. Can view & reserve toys online. Contact Betty Wilkings 021 492 325.
- **ADULT GYMNASTICS/FITNESS CLASS:** 11am-1pm FREE Te Puru.
- **SCOUTS - AGES 11-15 - 6:30-8:30** Te Puru Scout Hall, tepuru@group.scouts.nz.
- **TWICE LOVED OP SHOP:** Open 10am-3pm, 104 Maraetai Drive, Maraetai.
- **S.A.Y.G.O. "STEADY AS YOU GO"** Balance and coordination class. 10.30am. Kawakawa Bay Hall. \$2 Fee for Hall Hire and donations to Age Concern and Community. Friendly, gentle exercises. Contact 0210557370 Barbara Long.
- **COASTAL UKES (UKELLE CLUB)** 1:30 - 2:30pm, at Log Cabin, contact Val 027 393 4999 or Jean 021 023 09043.
- **261 FEARLESS - SOCIAL WOMEN'S RUNNING GROUP:** 10.15-11.15, all ages and abilities welcome. Te Puru Sports Fields by the playground.

FRIDAY

- **SENIOR CIRCUIT:** 10-11am Te Puru Centre, \$6 Ph 536 5360.
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- **COTTAGE CAFE** 10am-12pm, K Bay, 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month, free coffee + food, company.
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- **COAST YOUTH:** 6:30-8:30pm, Beachlands Baptist Church, 59 Third View Ave. Anyone in intermediate or high school welcome. Contact Majella 021 079 3117 for more info.
- **CLEVEDON ART GROUP** Meets weekly on Fridays, 10am-12noon. McNicol Homestead. New members, beginners to experienced are very welcome. Phone Marian 027 296 3827.
- **FOODTOGETHER POP-UP SHOP** 2pm - 4pm, Beachlands Baptist Church, 59 Third View Ave. Grab a \$15 bag of seasonal, fresh fruit & veg at this community pop-up. We'd love to see you there. Pre-order at foodtogether.co.nz or pop in to pick your own. Contact Meg 021 887 902 for more info.

SATURDAY

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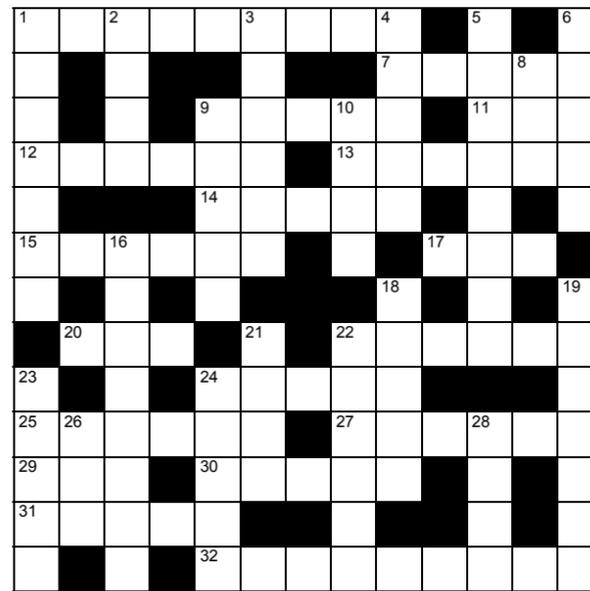
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OMANA STAMP CLUB SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH, 1.30pm at Maraetai Library. Mike 536 5976 / Graham 536 6958.

POHUTUKAWA COAST FRIENDSHIP CLUB, 10am, second Thursday of each month at Pohutukawa Coast Presbyterian Church, 5 Jacobs Way, Maraetai for morning tea and speaker. We promote friendship and fun for seniors. Rhonda 021 909 724.

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Across

- Daily drama (4,5)
- Fourth letter of Greek alphabet (5)
- Sum (5)
- A vast age (3)
- Style of music and dance (3-3)
- Carnival (Sp) (6)
- Food on a stick (5)
- Large dog breed (6)
- Fitness club (3)
- Sardonic (3)
- Solemnly renounce (6)
- Dock (5)
- Facilitate (6)
- Listlessness (6)
- Badger (3)
- Having more years (5)
- Overhead (5)
- Small, fast battleship (9)

Down

- Fallacious argument (7)
- Upon (4)
- Fitting (6)
- Improvise (2-3)
- Gesundheit (5,3)
- Unoriginal or commonplace (5)
- Small child (3)
- Keepsake (5)
- Distantly (4)
- Aromatic herb (8)
- Strongly dislike (5)
- Beginner (7)
- Touch (4)
- Bear witness (6)
- Extremely severe (5)
- Haemorrhage (5)
- Catch (3)
- Sympathy (4)

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To the delight of her Poppa, Macey's quote of the day was: "I'm not having a good day, I'm having a GREAT DAY!"

To enter the Catch of the Week photo competition, email your photo and details about your catch (where it was caught, name of the boat, what you did with the fish, plus any other special details) to liz@gasmaraetai.co.nz. The weekly winner will receive a \$50 Top Catch voucher from GAS Maraetai, and the season winner will receive a fishing rod and reel.

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