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Maraetai Beach School welcomes new principal



Students at Maraetai Beach School welcome their new principal, Lou Reddy.

Having spent his early years growing up in a small seaside village called Namata in Fiji, new Maraetai Beach School principal Lou Reddy says he sees many parallels within the Maraetai community.

Lou began his new role at Maraetai Beach School this term, bringing with him four years' experience as a principal at Te Kura Tuatahi o Wēteri/Wesley Primary School.

His son was already enrolled at the school, and Lou says his decision to apply for the role at Maraetai was largely driven

by the school's positive learning environment. It was also an opportunity to work closer to home, allowing him to spend more time with his wife and two young children.

"At Wesley, I was lucky enough to take over from a very strong principal, Brenda Martin, and I pick up the same vibes here. I want to tautoko Mark Keenan and his legacy, and continue to build on it," says Lou.

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14 Wed	☾	1:36am ▲ 2.8m	7:46am ▼ 1.0m	🐟
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Guest editorial by Franklin Local Board

Great to see a Hūnua Ranges Regional Park bridge getting an upgrade to improve access to tracks and the Falls.

It comes at a cost of \$350,000 and replaces the aging footbridge from the Falls Road carpark across the Wairoa.

It does mean tracks accessed by crossing the river are closed until mid-September while work takes place, including the Hūnua Falls Lookout and Upper Loop tracks, and the Cossey Massey Loop (combining Massey, Wairoa-Cossey and Cossey Gorge tracks).

You can still do a short walk to the Falls, which remain open while access to the car park is available but check online before leaving home because car park closures may be required.

About 300,000 people visited the area last year, so the new bridge will guarantee continued safe access to a much-loved park.

Anyone who has visited in summer will be aware of how popular the Falls are, so we remind you that while they are magnificent to look at, you should never swim there because of sudden depth changes and dangerous currents.

Sometimes it isn't the big things that remind us why we got into this.

We have just renewed the lease for the kindy at Kawakawa Bay.

The lease held by the Counties Manukau Free Kindergarten Association expired in 2021 and only continued on a month-by-month basis. The renewal removes any doubts over its future.

At a comparatively isolated spot like Kawakawa Bay, you wouldn't want to lose your kindy, and be forced to drive a long way to get to another one, especially when you have been there since about 1980 and currently cater for up to 50 children.

With about 20-odd volunteers helping the paid staff, it underlines how important these facilities are, and acts as a reminder of how critical volunteers are too, so thank you to everyone who gifts their time, whether at the rugby club or the kindy, to help others.

We salute you all.

Renewal work is underway at McNicol Homestead in Clevedon.

Built in 1878 the old homestead is a heritage building currently used as a house museum, and is another example of a site that relies on volunteers.

The Clevedon and Districts Historical Society has leased the place since 1980, also using it as a venue for local activities such as painting and crafts. Renewal work is needed to meet the building code and seismic and asbestos requirements. All going well the place should be looking

good in late November.


When we posted about this on our Facebook page – which you are welcome to follow at www.facebook.com/FranklinLocalBoard - someone suggested it would be lovely to see some high tea and garden parties held at the homestead in the future, and called for a path from the village too.

A path on McNicol Road to help connect the homestead to the village is one of the projects already identified in our Franklin Paths Targeted Rate programme, introduced after the idea received widespread support during consultations around Auckland Council's budget.

Can't say we'd be averse to high tea either.

In the meantime, if you see something that needs attention, call 09 301 0101 or log it at www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz and request a logit reference. You can also email Angela Fulljames, Malcolm Bell or Amanda Hopkins - firstname.surname@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

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World land speed record attempt derailed by gear failure

Clevedon resident Reg Cook's goal of setting a world land speed record of 550 miles per hour has hit a major bump in the road.

As reported in the *PC Times* on 5 July, 77-year-old Reg and his team at Cook Motor Racing planned to contest a number of world land speed records in Bolivia next month.

One of the team's key goals was to set a world land speed record for a piston-driven engine, which they hoped to do in a specially modified vehicle called 'Wairua 2'. Reg believes the vehicle built in his Clevedon shed is up to the task - but unexpected gear failure has thrown a spanner in the works, causing the mission to be delayed until possibly next year.

A specially converted testing rig had allowed the team to check their tyres would cope at such high speeds. During recent testing at a speed of 536mph, a tyre exploded.

Reg says the biggest safety issue when travelling at such high speeds is the reliability of tyres. The recent tyre failure at 536mph raised a question mark over whether the team at Cook Motor Racing would be able to safely attempt their land speed record.

The tyre explosion damaged their tyre testing machine which now requires major repair, and with the crew's containers

due to be loaded and sent last week, the likelihood of being able to rigorously test tyre safety within the short timeframe available was next to impossible.

With safety being their highest priority, Reg says it is important to check that every tyre they take to Bolivia is capable of travelling at speeds 50mph faster than the speed they aim to reach on the day of the land speed record.

As well as the tyre issue, testing of Wairua 2 also exposed flaws of drive from engine to gearbox.

Reg made the call last week to postpone the much-anticipated trip. While heartbreaking for the team who have poured countless hours into the build-up to the record attempt, Reg says that the recent testing of Wairua 2 has given them confidence that the vehicle is capable of chasing their world land speed record dream - it will just happen later than anticipated.

Reg says that after many late nights trying to pull everything together in his shed, he is "knackered", but that his team remain focussed on their motto: "never ever give up".

Right: This tyre exploded after it reached a speed of 536 miles per hour on a testing machine, shredding Reg Cook's attempt to break a world land speed record.



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Two-wheeled trek takes in beauty of the Coast and Ranges

For cycle coach Janet Stark, being able to ride out of her driveway for a weekend away on her bike was something quite special.

Janet recently spent a weekend cycling from Beachlands to Kaiaua via road, before returning the next day via the Hūnua Traverse cycle trail which follows Watercare tracks through the Hūnua Ranges.

“The weather was absolutely stunning for winter, wall to wall blue sky,” says Janet. “It was so good to bike out the front gate – an easy-as start to a mini holiday escape.”

On her first day of cycling, Janet rode from Beachlands via Te Puru, Omana and Maraetai to Clevedon via the Coast and North Roads. After stopping for a break at With Relish Cafe in Clevedon, she continued through Kawakawa Bay and Ōrere, stopping at Tapapakanga Regional Park to warm up some soup on her cooker.

From there it was on to Kaiaua for a well earned dinner at Kaiaua Fisheries Takeaways.

“I feel very comfortable riding on the road, using flashing front and back bike lights aimed to attract drivers’ attention, I often have a clashing bright vest on as well, my ‘look at me’ vest!

“I do find the section from Clevedon to Kawakawa Bay probably the worst road section if riding when boaties are towing their boats out to Kawakawa Bay. Some



The Hūnua Traverse ride is perfect for e-bikes - or the very fit!

don't seem to realise how long they are and cut in a bit soon. I didn't have this problem this time though. Occasionally you get a truck and car passing you very closely which can give you a bit of a fright,” says Janet.

At the end of day one's 75km, 6-hour ride, Janet says she slept well at Kaiaua's Seaview Charm Air B & B, just a short stroll from the start/finish of the Hūnua Traverse.

“Not for the faint hearted, and not for beginners,” is how Janet describes tackling the 45km Hūnua Traverse trail which links Kaiaua to Clevedon. “The hill climbs are long and steep but the route is not technical if you take the descents at a controlled speed.

“The hills climbs are totally worth the effort – the views of the ranges, reservoirs and valleys are to die for. You feel like you are in the middle of nowhere – very peaceful and a great place to let the world's worries disappear and just be you.”

The route through the Hūnua Ranges follows gravel roads with a small section of easy single track. Janet tackled it on a specialized Diverge gravel bike which she has named Wild Thing.

The trail offers the best gravel riding in

Auckland - if you love hill climbs, says Janet.

“The website lists it as a Grade 4 rating with attention to steep climbs and sharp corners,” says Janet. “It's not like a grade 4 mountain bike trail. The route is a gravel road, so very rideable. It boils down to fitness and being sensible riding down the hills. It's a great place for those training for an event, who want to improve their hill climbing or just love a crazy challenge. This place is made for ebikes but you do need to be sensible with your battery usage. The last thing you would want is to run out of battery juice – nowhere to charge!”

There was evidence of mishaps along the trail. “I saw some massive skids where people have taken a corner too fast and ended up having to brake heavily and not made it around the corner. This is a common issue on the descent on Mangatangi Hill Rd.”

After completing the Traverse, Janet says she stopped in at Clevedon to “inhale” some lunch before the final stretch back to Beachlands.

She rates it as a great way to spend a weekend, but advises people to go prepared with wet weather gear, a Personal Locator Beacon, bike tools including a pump and spare tube, phone, charger and power bank, and plenty of water.

“This trip was all about adding a bit of load to my bike and tackling some hill climbs. I love riding in the Hūnua's – the bird life, bush and the feeling of being far away. I feel totally safe and relaxed. It makes me work out and push myself, feeling very satisfied when you get to the top on the next climb. I feel very privileged being able to ride in there and make sure I use the wash stations - doing my bit for stopping the spread of kauri die back disease.”

The weekend trip provided Janet with a great opportunity to train for her next adventure - riding from Vancouver BC to the Mexico Border via the West Coast of USA including the Olympic Peninsula this month.

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I opened the door, and we walked through it, swoosh. We dropped our bags and ran up the soft carpeted stairs. We watched “The Rise of Gru’ and then

“Dinner time,” my Mum called.

“Okay,” we called back. We raced up the stairs to the table. My mouth bit into the crust; it was hard and floury, but the middle was soft and had a warm, cheesy taste.

Next, we had a bath and popped the colourful bubble gems. Warm, cosy PJs were on all of our bodies. Snuggling into the covers on the mattresses hours passed, yet we had not once fallen asleep. Finally, we fell asleep, and too soon we woke up. Bags were packed, and we played before having Chex for breakfast. My moral of the story is don't have a sleepover with three people — you get no sleep.

- by Emily White: Year 4, Maraetai Beach School

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It has been many years since Clevedon School put on a school production, but this year sees students return to the stage.

The Wizard of Oz will bring the classic tale of Dorothy as she journeys from her Clevedon farm to the land of Oz. Peppered with Clevedon and Kiwi twists, the show offers a fresh take on a classic favourite.

Almost 90 students are involved in the production, including back stage crew and the school's kapa haka group. Two separate casts will perform at each of the show's two performance nights.

Dorothy will be played by senior students Ivy Chapman and Kendall Yates. Both have stage experience thanks to Showquest, and Ivy's family are well known for their involvement in local theatre, but The Wizard of Oz will be Ivy and Kendall's acting debut.

Both say they are loving the experience so far.

"It's been good getting to know other people, and getting to hang out with people during lunchtimes," says Ivy.

"I like experiencing something new," says Kendall.

By the time the curtain goes up in August, the students will have racked up many hours of practice. Rehearsals are held three lunchtimes every week, and the main characters have spent many hours learning lines at home.



Kendall Yates (left) and Ivy Chapman will play the role of Dorothy in Clevedon School's Wizard of Oz production this month.

The 90-minute show will feature two evening shows on Thursday 22 and Friday 23 August, plus a matinee on Thursday 22 August at 11.30am. Tickets are selling

fast, and are available from trybooking.com/nz/ - search for Wizard of Oz.

"It's been a long time since we've done a production, so it's really exciting to be

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Beachlands Maraetai Football Club



RESULTS FROM 2-3 AUGUST

White U9 played Bucklands Beach AFC Blue U9 **POD** Ray Han
Blue U9 played Fencibles United AFC Navy U9 **POD** Nico Kearney
Black U9 played Lynn-Avon United AFC Cobras U9
Blue U10G played Fencibles United AFC Red U10G **POD** Izzy
Black U10 played Eastern Suburbs AFC Blue U10 **POD** Travis
White U10 played Waiheke United AFC Raptors U10 **POD** Aarryen Sidhu
Blue U10 played Eastern Suburbs AFC Purple U10 **POD** Lachie Milne
White U11 played Bay Olympic FC Pitbulls U11
Blue U11 played Fencibles United AFC White U11 **POD** Daniel Brass
Blue U13 beat Eastern Suburbs AFC Black U13/2 3-1 **POD** Jake Lawless
U14G Onehunga beat Mangere United AFC Dolphins U14G 2-1 **POD** Hazel Powley
Rebels U15G lost to Franklin United FC U15G 1-12 **POD** Isabel
Blue U15 drew with Bucklands Beach AFC Yellow U15 1-1 **POD** Bradley O'Donnell & Jackson Close
Atletico Beach lost to Mangere United Sharks 0-2 **POD** Blake Campbell
U23 v Northland FC U23 no result submitted
NRFL2 v Northland FC no result submitted
Rebels M40/4 lost to Bucklands Beach Saints M40/5 1-3 **POD** Dan Parkinson
Legionnaires v M40/3 Bay Olympic Clowns no result submitted
Coasters M40/4 lost to Western Springs AFC Goldenballs M40 **POD** Craig 'Solid As A Rock' Abbott
Lions M45 beat South Auckland Rangers AFC Tavua M45 5-1 **POD** Jacob Nyathi
WCL v Bucklands Beach WCL no result submitted

Pohutukawa Coast Netball Club



RESULTS FROM 2 AUGUST

Premier v Mellons Bay: Prem 1 - Loss 22 - 46 - **POD** Mel
Falcons v Pakuranga: Senior Ruby - Win 28 - 20 - **POD** Shannon Bridge
Hihi v Mellons Bay: S4 - Win 23 - 20
Wekas v Mellons Bay: S6 - Loss 19 - 29 - **POD** Liv
Pukekos v Shelly Park: S4 - Loss 22 - 26
Kererus v Mellons Bay: S7 - Loss 10 - 24
C1 v Sunnyhills: Kakariki - Loss 20 - 33
C2 v Shelly Park: C7 - Loss 13 - 25
J1 v Pakuranga: Kotare: Loss 7 - 28 - **POD** Mia Soares
J2 v Pakuranga: Takahe - Win 22 - 15 - **POD** Maddie Jeffries
J3 v CBNC: J2 Pink Lightning - Win 22 - 9 - **POD** Rylee Milner
J4 v PC: J5 - Win 7 - 3 - **POD** Brier Dickson
J5 v PCNC: J4 - Loss 3 - 7 - **POD** Teagan & Jess
Fantails - **POD** the whole team
Tuis - **POD** - Zali Jeffries
Keas - **POD** Amy Johnson
Kiwis - **POD** Ayla Impey, Awhi Laneia Richards

Clevedon Football Club



RESULTS FROM 2 AUGUST

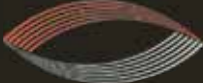
Crocs U5 **POD** Rayan Tiwary, **Merit Award** Rosie Barclay
Cannons U5 **POD** Kiara Bult, **Merit Award** Gus Moon
Comets U6 **POD** Alexis Millar, **Merit Award** Arthur Nielsen Vickers
Cadets U8 **POD** Harry Mulloy, **Merit Award** Arlo Searle
Chiefs U9 v Pukekohe AFC Karearea - **POD** Niko Maumeasagisagi and Indie Waters
Cyclones U10 v South Auckland Rangers AFC Fury - **POD** Robbie Parfoot, **Merit Award** Isaac Holmes
Cheetahs U12 played Festival - **POD** Jamie Hanley, **Merit Award** Ethan Parkin
Cobras U13 v Manurewa AFC Bears - **POD** Harry Young, **Merit Award** George Heyton

Beachlands Maraetai Junior Rugby



RESULTS FROM 2 AUGUST


BMRC Y3 v Kararaka 35/95 **POD** Monty Brown, **TOD** Harvey McQueen
Y2 BMRC Orange v Ardmore Marist Red 65/75 **POD** Kora Stevenson, **ROD** Lachlan Place
Y4 Orange v Manurewa Green 80/25 **POD** Frankie Adkins, **TOD** Kato Eketonem
SPORTSMANSHIP - Lewis Farrell
Y6 Navy v Te Kauwhata 85/40 **POD** Luke Saville, **TOD** Aaron Drake
Y1 Navy v Karaka Red **POD** Remy Ashmore, **ROD** Stevie Hurcombe-Heather
U13 Girls v Marist 95/35 **ROD** Addison Bellew, **POD** Imogen White
Y9 Girls v East Tamaki 40/85 **POD** Isla Hammond, **ROD** Alycia Prinsloo
Y5 BMRC Navy v Pukekohe Gold 65/30 **POD** Aidan Hignett-Morgan, **POD** Lewis Galloway
Y5 BMRC Orange v Patumahoe Gold 45/15 **POD** Lochie Gemmell, **TOD** Carter Jones
Y6 Orange v Tuakau 75/25 **POD** Jaxon Dreyer, **TOD** Levi Smith
Y1 v Karaka Y1 White 20/20 **POD** Cohen Dromgool, **ROD** Atlas King, **TOD** Cohen Dromgool
Year 8 Under 13 Orange v Waiuku Green 118/0 **POD** Leo Peacock, **TOD** Elliot Sheppard
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Maraetai Beach School welcomes new principal

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Lou says he remains very proud of his achievements at Wesley, including building a new school, growing the leadership team and strengthening community engagement. "I'm looking forward to connecting with the community here too."

During his career Lou has also worked as acting principal at Tāmaki Primary School in Glen Innes, at Wesley Intermediate on the senior leadership team, and as Enterprise manager at the Te Whangai Trust environmental initiative. He has also run his own business, spent five years working in the marketing team for World Vision and worked for a time in the building industry.

Lou says he that while he doesn't fit the stereotypical mould of Maraetai Beach School principal, his skills and strengths in community building and connecting through culture are a good fit for the school.

"I think the board's appointed me for those reasons, that's where the school's headed, and where the community's headed as well. Maraetai Beach school has a number Māori, Pasifika, international and European migrant families.

"It's really important to me that we get

things right culturally, especially because the school sits on Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki land. As a new person coming in, I really want to learn more about the local history of our whenua, school and growing community."

Lou was recently welcomed to his role at the school by Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki representative Zaelene Maxwell-Butler, who has recounted some of the school's history to him.

"I'm just really humbled. It's been a double blessing in terms of the board appointing me, and also having Ngāi Tai guide me too."

Lou and his whānau moved to Maraetai two years ago, and he was impressed by the support offered to his eldest child who had recently enrolled as a new entrant.

"I can say hand on heart to those families of new entrants children, Maraetai Beach School does provide an amazing transition pathway for all children, especially if they have identified needs."

The beauty of the Pōhutukawa Coast was also a huge drawcard. Lou is a keen fisher and member of the Maraetai Beach Boat Club.

"I get to live and work in a beautiful community with all of the magnificence of nature. I'm really connected to nature, I find that my wairua is always lifted when I'm close to the sea and near the bush."

"My wife, Rebecca, and I really wanted to raise our whanau close to nature, close to a connected community."

Rebecca works as a counsellor, trainer and clinical supervisor, and their youngest son currently spends time at Beachlands Maraetai Playcentre and at Early Connections ECE.

Before taking up his role, Lou says he had heard good things about the school and senior staff at the school from his neighbours.

"I found out about the school, through the people in the community before I applied to enrol my son or even for my job. The community voice was that we have a really strong leadership team at MBS that supports the wellbeing of our children, but they also believe in our children, and there's a really high expectation for learning and wellbeing and connection to environment at this school.

"I wanted to work with these people, because they looked after my son so well. I wanted to work in a community which is close to my heart, around its values of nurturing people, valuing hauora, valuing the principle of kaitiakitanga."

Lou also acknowledges the support of the Maraetai Beach School board, his neighbours Tony, Natalie, Jim and Nat, the school's senior leadership team (Steve

and Kate), Learning Support Coordinator (Robyn) and his new admin staff at MBS who have helped induct him.

Lou describes his leadership style as collaborative and based on the Clifton's strength (an assessment tool which measures people's unique talents) called Connectedness, and says that he has no plans to make any major changes at the school but to listen first.

"At the moment, I'm just understanding what's working well and thinking of ways to sustain and leverage that."

Intergenerational programmes, international exchanges and a strong focus on STREAM (science, technology, robotics engineering, arts and maths) are all ways for students to connect and work collaboratively - something Lou is keen to see continue, along with a strong focus on the three wellbeing cornerstones of safety, purpose and belonging.

"My goal at Maraetai Beach school is to ensure that we give our tamariki the best educational learning programme because that is what they deserve. Nothing will stop us, as long as we've got these three pillars in place."

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Weekly events

MONDAY

- **CASUAL BADMINTON:** 7.30-9pm, Te Puru Centre, \$7. Ph:536 5360.
- **ST JOHNS YOUTH:** 6-7.30pm, St Hilda's Church, Wakelin Road.
- **CASUAL TABLE TENNIS:** 7.30-9pm. Te Puru, \$7.
- **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
- **SENIOR CIRCUIT:** 9:00-10:00 Te Puru Community Centre, \$6
- **JUMPING JUNIORS GYMNASTICS:** ages 1-4 - 11.00-11.45 Te Puru Community Centre, \$14

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 sport@tepuru.co.nz, 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.
- **SENIOR STRENGTH & BALANCE:** 9:30-10:30 Te Puru Community Centre, \$10

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 Bchlds-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.
- **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. Term time only.
- **U3A BEACHLANDS-MARAETAI** Fourth Thursday of each month, 10am at Presbyterian Church, Jacobs Way, Maraetai. Monthly speakers, plus special interest groups. Brenda 021 777 171.
- **JUMPING JUNIORS GYMNASTICS:** ages 1-4 - 9:15-10:00 Te Puru Community Centre, \$14
- **CLUB NIGHT:** Open to everyone 5:30-9.30pm, Te Puru Community Centre

FRIDAY

- **SENIOR CIRCUIT:** 10-11am Te Puru Centre, \$7 casual, \$60 concession card (10 sessions) Ph 536 5360.
- **SENIOR STRETCH & STRENGTH:** 9-10am, Beachlands Memorial Hall, \$12 per month (8 sessions).
- **COTTAGE CAFE** 10am-12pm, K Bay, 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month, free coffee + food, company.
- **WORN AGAIN OP SHOP,** 9.30am-12pm, The Cottage, 5 K Bay-Orere Rd, Kawakawa Bay.
- **TWICE LOVED OP SHOP:** Open 10am-3pm, 104 Maraetai Drive, Maraetai.
- **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

- **WORN AGAIN OP SHOP,** 9.30am-12pm, The Cottage, 5 K Bay-Orere Rd, Kawakawa Bay.
- **TWICE LOVED OP SHOP:** Open 10am-3pm, 104 Maraetai Drive, Maraetai.
- **FREE YOGA CLASSES WITH MACA SALAS-PAMPALONI:** 8.15am-9.30am, Beachlands Chatered Club. Contact alma.tribe.nz@gmail.com, 021 751 1760.

SUNDAY

- **TOY LIBRARY:** 9-10am, 59 Third View Ave. Can view & reserve toys online. Contact Betty Wilkings 021 492 325.

Other events and services

OMANA STAMP CLUB SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH, 1.30pm at Maraetai Library. David 530 8869 / Graham 536 6958.

POHUTUKAWA COAST TOASTMASTERS 7-9PM EVERY SECOND WEDNESDAY
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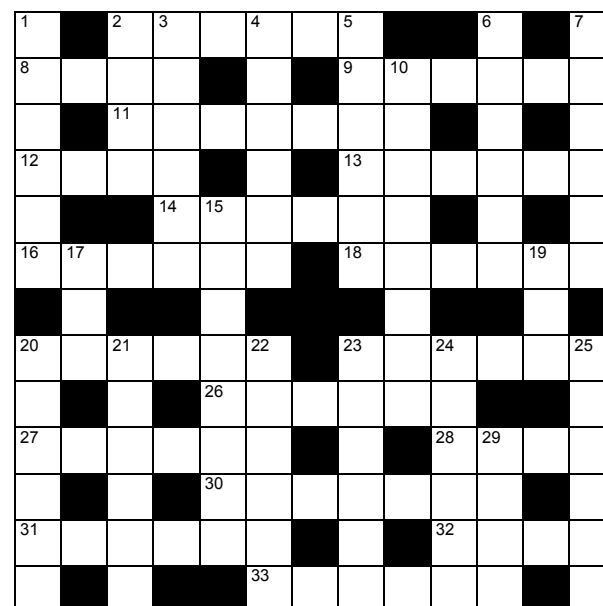
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9. Criticise publicly (6)
11. Very loyal and committed (7)
12. Fool (4)
13. Cliche (6)
14. Tree-lined street (6)
16. Crow-like bird (6)
18. Security (6)
20. Dictator (6)
23. Add spice to food (6)
26. Short task (6)
27. Distinct thing (6)
28. Extensive (4)
30. Colossal (7)
31. Cowardly (6)
32. Make reference to (4)
33. Bitterly disappointed (colloq) (6)

Down

1. Jewish greeting (6)
2. As well (4)
3. Short sleep (6)
4. Hairpiece (6)
5. Prickly plant (6)
6. Severe food shortage (6)
7. Meagre (6)
10. Intimidate (8)
15. Brief evocative account (8)
17. Some, or all (3)
19. Also (3)
20. Ditch (6)
21. Customary observance (6)
22. Exasperating (6)
23. Learned person (6)
24. Counsel (6)
25. Spice (6)
29. Corrosive liquid (4)

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PUBLIC NOTICES



BEACHLANDS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
BOATING CLUB

The Annual General Meeting will be held at the Club rooms in Sunkist Bay on the 25th August 2024 and will commence at 2:30pm. All Club members are invited to attend.

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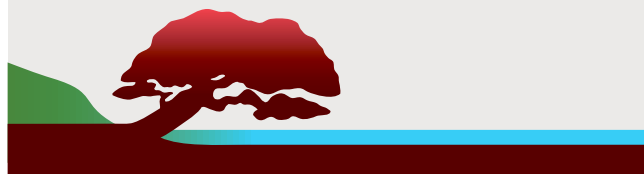
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