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“Whether it’s through local sponsorships, turning up for events, leading initiatives or supporting positive action in the community, I promise you’ll be seeing a lot more of us in future.”
Daniel Wei

Delivering on the promise

When Daniel Wei stepped into the role of Branch Manager at Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands late last year, he made a pledge to the community that he and his team would continue to ‘back local’ at every given chance.

In fact, support from the firm has ramped up considerably since his appointment. Sponsorship is a major focus for Daniel and his crew, who he says “love being a part of this region – we’re grateful to work within it, and determined to back the people who not only help our business thrive here, but who also help make the Pohutukawa Coast such a great place to live.”

Certainly, all you need to do is attend any local event, school, sports club or fundraising drive, and you’re likely to see a Barfoot & Thompson flag flying high.

“We’re thrilled to have been involved in some amazing local initiatives so far in 2023,” Daniel adds. Here’s a snapshot of what the team has been up to over the past few months. (Also, flip to the inside back cover for more good news stories).

GOING FOR GOLD RUGBY SPONSORSHIP

Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands is thrilled to announce its shiny new position as Gold Sponsor of the Beachlands Maraetai Rugby Club. This is the perfect fit, given that rugby is so popular in the area - bringing neighbours together, getting the kids out and having the family cheering them on from the side lines. The club is delighted with the new arrangement too, saying they’re stoked that Daniel and his team are ‘onside’.



MAKING A SPLASH AT CANFISH

40 CanTeen members from around New Zealand took to the water a few months ago, to experience the joy of fishing, connect with others and take a break from the struggles of cancer. Nearly \$30,000 in prizes were given away on the day, all made possible thanks to a host of supporters, including Beachlands very own Mike Deverell (organiser extraordinaire), and Barfoot & Thompson’s Managing Director, Peter Thompson (main sponsor of the event).



THRILLS AND SPILLS AT THE TROLLEY DERBY

This was another fun, family event sponsored by Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands, but also a fabulous fundraising effort, resulting in \$1,700 being donated to the Red Cross New Zealand Disaster Fund. Matthew Brown and Ian Boswell represented the branch on the day, contributing gazebos, bean bags and chairs, and family passes to the zoo. Their chocolate toss raised \$588, which was topped up to \$850, thanks to Ian’s family and the wider Beachlands team. The local Rotary Club then very generously matched this.



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Firefighters conquer Sky Tower challenge



Hūnua Volunteer Fire Brigade members (from left) Shanan Millar, Cai Nolan and Gary Bosley raised \$5388 for Leukaemia & Blood Cancer New Zealand last weekend when they took part in the annual Firefighter Sky Tower Challenge. Local brigades from Beachlands, Clevedon, Orere Point and Kawakawa Bay also took part in the challenge, raising about \$30,000 in total.

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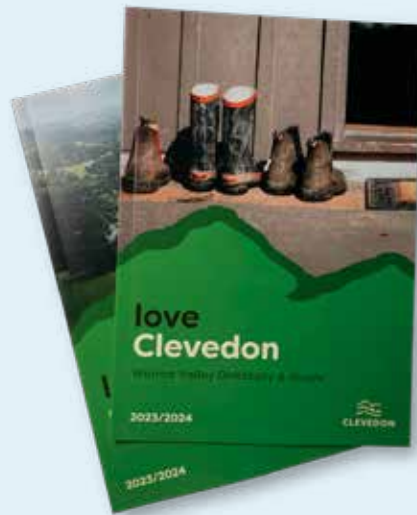
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Guest editorial by Clevedon Community and Business Association



Wairoa Valley locals will by now have received their copy of the Love Clevedon Guide and Directory. As Clevedon continues to grow and we welcome new neighbours and visitors to our valley, this booklet endeavours to capture and share the best of the Wairoa Valley - from celebrating our local businesses to sharing all the incredible things you can do in Clevedon and the wider Wairoa Valley.

The guide is also a chance for us to introduce the new Clevedon brand identity. The Clevedon Community and Business Association, working in partnership with Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki and local designers Beyond Usual, with

funding from the Franklin Local Board, have worked to create a visual identity that will take us forward into the future. Our new identity represents what we hold dear; our landscapes, our heritage, our people and our community, and our new logo speaks of its place – please see the included story.

If you haven't received a copy of your Love Clevedon guide, worry not. Our new-look website at www.clevedon.co.nz shares the same information in a digital format. Or if you'd like your own coffee-table reference, keep an eye out for copies of the guide at local Clevedon hospitality venues.

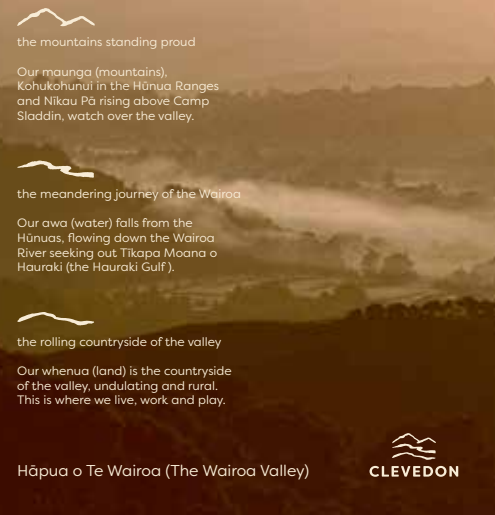
So join us in celebrating all there is to love about Clevedon. Share your guide with friends and family, and join us online at our new website to become a member of the Clevedon Community and Business Association as we work to make Clevedon and the Wairoa Valley an even greater place to work, live and play.

The Clevedon CBA committee's vision is for a connected community with heart,

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- by Clevedon Community and Business Association chair Victoria Richards

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Three cheers for Sam! Council employee awarded for service to the Coast

Auckland Council Franklin facilities manager Sam Isaia has been officially recognised for his efforts to keep Maraetai and Beachlands beaches safer over the summer holidays.

Operation Beaches was a Franklin Local Board initiative, driven by Wairoa subdivision member Malcolm Bell who pushed for a response after Maraetai locals raised concerns about out of control summer behaviour.

Sam stepped up in a big way, and was recently awarded a Counties Manukau Police District Commander's Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of his efforts.

Acting District Commander Matthew Srhoj presented Sam with the certificate acknowledging his work over the Christmas holiday period.

The citation reads:

"In recognition of your dedication and exemplary support to the Counties Manukau East Police and the Counties Manukau East Auckland community over the holiday period in 2022.

"You noted the frustration and needs of the local community after a history of disorder events at beaches in Counties Manukau East over the summer months. You coordinated external partners to work collaboratively with local police at an 'Education Day' at Maraetai Beach,

delivering educational messages on the alcohol ban, parking and camping. You gave up your own time and facilitated your team at Auckland Council to conduct combined checkpoints with local Police. As a result, crimes in the Beachlands and Maraetai areas reduced significantly compared with the previous year.

"Your hard work and dedication are an exceptional example of excellent service and keeping our community safe and are to be commended."

Sam took a day off work to receive his award and was quick to share the praise.

"Three years ago, I was asked to take the reins over beach issues during the summer holidays. Working with Police, we started 'Operation Beaches' as we know it now. The first two years were about how we could improve our responses and better use our resources.

"So many people have supported this work, Franklin Ward Councillor Andy Baker, Franklin Local Board staff and members, Auckland Transport, Ngāti Te Ata Waiohua, Ngāi Tai Ki Tāmaki and loads of my colleagues.

"In year one we had no funding or staff. Colleagues joined me at briefings and we were able to shape a plan where everyone could see the benefits. Now we are at a place where I can pass things on to others who are keen to learn."



Counties Manukau Auckland East community services manager Senior Sergeant Anson Lin congratulates Sam Isaia (left) for his work over the Christmas holiday period. Photo / Our Auckland.

Franklin Ward Councillor Andy Baker says Sam has earned his recognition.

"From day one all he wanted was ensure residents and visitors were provided with the best chance to enjoy summer.

"It was always about sharing and working with others to make that happen and he's a great example of an Auckland Council staffer going out of his way to serve his community.

"Sam was also to the fore during the Anniversary Weekend storm when being on call, he exceeded all expectations, moving from one side of Franklin to the other helping communities deal with the issues they faced.

"It was another example of a man who is willing to go above and beyond what's expected of him."

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One student featured each week will be presented with a certificate and a \$20 book voucher, thanks to Barfoot & Thompson's Beachlands and Whitford branches.

Ōrere School Gala

On the 8th of April 2023 Ōrere School held their annual school gala. The whole of Ōrere School worked together to make this amazing event possible. The senior class worked for weeks on their entertainment stalls which was a crowd favourite while the Juniors nurtured plants to sell on their big day.

When gala finally arrived, everyone was super excited. Gala started at 9:00am so we all got there at 8:30 and started preparing our stalls. As the community arrived you could see all the excitement practically leaking out of everybody and the smell of delicious food around the field. There were tons of people helping everywhere.

Once again, our gala proved to be a great success. The community loved the event, and we were even lucky enough to get sunshine! The children of Ōrere School would like to thank the community for their continued support.

- by Sadie McKay and Andrea Reid, Ōrere School

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Hūnua Traverse cycle trail to open preview this winter

A preview of the Hūnua Traverse cycle trail will open this winter, enabling public access to up to 28km of the new 44km Nga Haerenga Heartland trail.

At the northern end, 14km of the Hūnua Traverse will open from Clevedon to Ottau Mountain, providing weekend riding in the Hūnua Ranges Regional Park between Ottau Mountain Road and the top of Moumoukai Hill Road, Ness Valley.

“A weather-related slip on Ottau Mountain Road had delayed the proposed February launch of the Hūnua Traverse, but Auckland Transport have now repaired the road and we can give cyclists the all clear, albeit on weekends and public holidays only to avoid logging trucks,” says Hūnua Traverse project coordinator Nicki Henshaw.

In the south, existing 7-day a week cycling access in the Moumoukai Valley will be extended south over Mangatangi Hill to Workman Road where riders can continue on public roads to Kaihua on the Seabird Coast, a total of 24km of the Hūnua Traverse.

Nicki says that regrettably, damage wreaked by Cyclone Gabrielle to a road in the middle of the Hūnua Traverse means that the full connection between Clevedon and Kaihua won't open anytime soon.

“The slip on Keeney Road is a major,” says Nicki.

“Geotechnical engineers have warned us that a portion of the road is at risk of slipping down the hill. Watercare is

responsible for maintaining this road and has confirmed its commitment to repairing it, but with a long list of weather-related damage across its network, we need to be patient. In the meantime, all vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians need to keep away from the area.”

The 9 May weather bomb event caused a small number of new slips and track washouts across the Hūnua Ranges Regional Park. These are all anticipated to be cleared and restored by the time the Hūnua Traverse preview opens in winter. An exact opening date will be announced once a kauri dieback survey is completed in the area.

“The Hūnua Ranges are home to the largest kauri forest in New Zealand that remains free of the insidious kauri dieback disease,” says Franklin Local Board chair Angela Fulljames.

The large-scale survey, the third of its kind in the Hūnua Ranges, is looking for any evidence of *Phytophthora agathidicida*, a fungus-like pathogen that infects and kills kauri and which has wreaked havoc on populations in Northland, the Waitākeres, the Coromandel and on Great Barrier Island.

“As soon as field work in the vicinity of the Hūnua Traverse is complete, and we have confidence that no additional delays are necessary, we'll look forward to opening up our preview,” says Nicki.

The Hūnua Traverse will provide access into parts of the Hūnua Ranges Regional



Park that have been closed to public access.

When Kauri Dieback was discovered in the Waitakere Ranges in 2018, the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) placed a Controlled Area Notice (CAN) over the Hūnua Ranges to restrict access while protection measures were put in place. These included diverting trails away from kauri, building raised boardwalks, fencing off at-risk trees and constructing kauri dieback wash stations at every entry point to the park.

A team of Auckland Council compliance officers were also deployed across the Hūnua Ranges Regional Park to make sure that visitors were abiding by the conditions of the CAN, ensuring no contaminated soil was brought into the park and that people kept out of restricted areas.

“Public access into the northern reaches of the Hūnua Ranges, from Ottau Mountain Road and Moumoukai Hill Road in Ness

Valley, has actually been prohibited for a very long time but people had used this area for cycling and walking without perhaps realising that they were trespassing.

“With this focus on kauri protection and with new budget available to ensure compliance of the CAN conditions, Auckland Council compliance officers were made available to enforce restrictions.

“It's fair to say that some people were shocked when their access was prohibited. We're delighted that Watercare has been willing to work with Auckland Council to officially permit some public access into this area,” says Angela.

All users who enter the Regional Park are required to wash their shoes, bikes and camping gear at the dedicated wash stations.

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Speed golfer claims NZ women's title for a fifth time

Maraetai local Liz McKinnon continues to dominate the country's speedgolf scene, taking out the New Zealand Speedgolf Open title at Taranaki's Fitzroy Golf Club late last month.

Liz now has her name etched on the women's national speedgolf trophy five times, winning every event she has teed off in.

Liz describes speed golf as "like normal golf, but where you go as quick as you can."

Players carry up to seven clubs, either in their hand or in a lightweight bag, and run or walk quickly after playing each shot.

Liz had already played golf as a professional on the Ladies European Tour before taking up the faster version of the sport eight years ago.

"You can do 9 holes in under half an hour," says Liz, "so it's perfect for people who enjoy being out on the golf course, but who are short on time."

Victories at this year's nationals weren't going to come easy as the event boasted the biggest field in its history; 67 competitors, including eight internationals and seven women.

The natural amphitheatre around the 18th hole attracted plenty of spectators, which made for a great spectacle as the leaders finished.

Liz kept her firm grip on the New Zealand women's title with impressive

Maraetai resident Liz McKinnon pictured on her way to winning the NZ Speedgolf Open title. Photo / NZ Golf.

performances over both days. She beat the most prominent women's field in the event's history, shooting 80 in 48 minutes and 46 seconds for an opening round of 128.46 and 75 in 49 minutes and 19 seconds for a second round of 124.19.

Her final speedgolf score of 253.05 was good enough for a 13 shot/minute victory over second place winner Penny Smith.

Liz was pleased to achieve her own personal milestones during a weekend which showcased the women's game

positively, and says she hopes both her game and the sport can keep improving.

"It's fantastic. Every year I try and focus on my own game and my own results. The golf course is tough competition, doing two rounds, running, and trying to play good golf. Every year, my focus is on my own game. It was really cool to have seven women in the field, with a few of us being very competitive. It was also a bit of an unknown as a few were new to the sport, which made it really exciting as it

gave me some nerves knowing I needed to perform. I'm just motivated to keep improving and keep getting better."

Liz says the community support of the event was amazing to see.

"The atmosphere was awesome. There were golf carts, runners, mountain bikes, e-bikes, scooters, kids everywhere, and the whole bank full of people was really cool. As much as a big event attracts supporters, you don't get people showing up with a range of vehicles going nuts around the course to keep up with the competitors."

Anahila Kanongata'a-Suisuiki

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Franklin Vets tips: caring for guinea pigs and rabbits

- by Franklin Vets

Like any animal rabbits and guinea pigs need food, water and shelter. Dr Sarah Tutt, Vet at our Beachlands clinic and proud mother of Biscuit the Mini Lop has some tips.

Diet

The majority of a rabbit's diet should be hay (preferably Timothy Hay, which you can buy from Franklin Vets), supplemented with pellets that are fibre rich (50-60g/2kg/day) and fresh greens (1 cup).

A guinea pig's diet should be hay and 1 cup/day of vegetables. The main difference is their pellets need to

be Vitamin C fortified (50-60g/guinea pig/day).

It is important that rabbits and guinea pigs are a good weight. If they are overweight it can be difficult for them to eat their caecotrophs (nutrient packed, dietary items essential for their health) directly from their anus.

Shelter

Shelter for both can be a hutch but should have areas protected from the rain, shady areas and have a run or be able to be free roaming to allow plenty of exercise. The hutch needs to have plenty of clean dry bedding material.

Mental stimulation

They need mental stimulation as well as exercise because if they are bored, they become destructive. Simple things like cardboard tubes with hay in them and cardboard box castles are enough. They also like tossing things, baby toy keys and bird toys work well, and they are very happy with tunnels.

Guinea pigs can also be happy with a pile of shredded paper.

Toileting

Rabbits can be easily litter box



trained as they like to toilet in one area. Use recycled newspaper litter and hay. Guinea pigs can be litter box trained as well but it takes a bit longer.

Grooming

Grooming is important to remove excess fur when moulting so too much is not ingested which can lead to blockages in the gut.

Vaccination

Rabbits should get a yearly vaccine against Rabbit Calicivirus also known as rabbit haemorrhagic disease.

Lifespan

If they are well cared for, rabbits can live 7-10 years, and guinea pigs 4-8 years.

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Weekly events

MONDAY

- **BABY CHAT** 10.30-12:00pm, Beachlands Baptist Church, Age 0 to 1 yrs.
- **SENIOR CIRCUIT**: 9am \$6 Te Puru Centre.
- **MARAETAI BEACH INDOOR BOWLING CLUB**: 12.30pm, Maraetai Hall, Rewa Rd. Gae 027 676 6473
- **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. Lynn 027 507 7200 or 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.
- **COAST YOUTH**: Years 7-13 at 7-8.30pm. Beachlands Baptist Church. 021 385 535.
- **POHUTUKAWA COAST CHILDREN'S CHOIR**: 3.30-5pm. Beachlands Memorial Hall. Rhianon 021 216 0224.
- **POHUTUKAWA COAST COMMUNITY CHOIR**: 7.15-8.45pm. coastchoir.com

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 Bchlns-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
- **DANCE IN THE DARK** - 7-8pm, Te Puru Scout Hall, women only, Facebook Dance Noir NZ
- **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.
- **STRETCH EXERCISES FOR ACTIVE SENIORS**. Wednesdays & Fridays 9-10am. \$10 per month. Memorial Hall, Wakelin Road.

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, Whitford Hall till end of April. 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.

FRIDAY

- **SENIOR CIRCUIT**: 10-11am Te Puru Centre, \$6 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**: 6.00-7.30pm Years 7 to 9, 7.00-9.30PM Years 10 to 13. Beachlands Baptist Church. 021 385 535.
- **STRETCH EXERCISES FOR ACTIVE SENIORS**. Wednesdays & Fridays 9-10am. \$10 per month. Memorial Hall, Wakelin Road.

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.
- **COMMUNITY TAI-CHI**: 9:15-10:15am, Maraetai School, \$8 (contribution to the school), Stacy 576 3705.

SUNDAY

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

Other events and services

- **RURAL LIBRARIES MARAETAI** 10am-12pm Tues, Fri + Sat, 4-6pm Thurs. **BEACHLANDS** 10am-12pm Mon, 1-3.30pm Weds + Sat. Clevedon 10am-12pm Mon, Thurs + Sat, 10am-1pm Weds.
- **KAWAKAWA BAY** 10am-12.00pm Mon, Tues, Thurs +Sat. **ORERE POINT** 10am-11.30am Tues, Weds + Thurs, 4.30-6pm Fri, 10am-12pm Sat.
- **COTTAGE CAFE FIRST AND THIRD FRIDAY EACH MONTH**: 10am-12pm Kawakawa Bay Presbyterian Church. Ph: Church Office 2922450 (leave a message).
- **8 BALL EVERY 2ND TUESDAY AT 7PM**. Beachlands Chartered Club. info@beachlandsclub.co.nz
- **A TOUCH OF PILATES WEDNESDAY & SATURDAY**. 10-11am (except the last Saturday of the month). Beachlands Chartered Club. Janice 0211 845 354. \$10 casual rate or \$70 for 11 sessions.
- **EUCHRE CARD NIGHT EVERY 2ND WEDNESDAY**. 7pm. Beachlands Chartered Club.
- **COASTAL TREASURES OPEN THURSDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY**, 10am-4pm, 41 Third View Ave, Beachlands.
- **SPINNING GROUP FIRST & THIRD THURSDAY EACH MONTH**, 10am-12pm Beachlands Library. Contact Lois 021 149 8731. No charge, just bring your wheel.
- **FOREST & BIRD PLANTING DAY SATURDAY 27 MAY**, 9am Pointways Pony Club, 1424 Alfriston Road. Can you help? Bring gloves, gumboots, raincoat & a spade. Ph Colleen 021 252 3533.

SPORTS

Beachlands Maraetai Football Club



RESULTS FROM 20-21 MAY

Black U9 played Waiheke United AFC Gorillas U9 POD Ryan;
Red U9 were to play Uni-Mount Bohemian AFC U9 who defaulted;
White U9 played Metro FC Whangamata U9 POD Cruz Symister;
Blue U9 played Central United FC Comets U9 POD Kayden Govind;
Black U10 played Ellerslie AFC U10 Crimson POD Oscar;
Blue U10 played Uni-Mount Bohemian AFC U10 No POD submitted;
Black U11 played Western Springs AFC U11 Barborouses POD Ben Clark;
White U11 played Ellerslie AFC U11 Silver POD Leander;
Blue Goats U11 played Western Springs AFC U11 Browne POD Cooper Harris;
Blue U11G Orcas played Metro FC Emeralds U12 G POD Addison Smith;
Blue 12 played Fencibles United White U12/3 POD: Ian MacKechnie;
Blue U12G Diamond Cats played Eastern Suburbs AFC Gold U11G POD Scarlett Cosford;
Black U12 played Bay Olympic Dachshunds U12 POD Miles Scott;
U13C lost to Papakura City FC U13CONF 0-4 POD Jacob Bateman;
U14G lost to Auckland United FC U14GP 1-9 POD Annabel Caruthers;
Blue U16G/2 Default win over Ellerslie AFC U16 Girls;
Blue 14/3 beat Papakura City FC U15 D2 4-3 POD Simon Rister;
U23 v Albany United FC U23 No result submitted;
NRFL2 v Albany United FC No result submitted;
Coasters M40/4 beat Papakura City FC Outcasts M40 3-1 POD Rich 'Captain' Jacobs;
Rebels M40/4 beat Papatoetoe AFC Red Mist M40 5-3 POD Tim Bastin;
Legionnaires M40/3 beat South Auckland Rangers AFC Wondrous M40 13-2 POD Steve Dass;
Lions M45 lost to Auckland United FC Havoc M45 D2 2-6 POD Mike Peters;
WCL lost to Metro FC WCL 0-2 POD Rebecca Ripley.

Beachlands Maraetai Junior Rugby



RESULTS FROM 20 MAY

U6 Navy drew against Papakura 15-15, POD Beau Udy, ROD Jacob Etherington;
U7 Ripa POD Nico Maya, ROD Jake Brooke;
U8 Navy won against Papakura 135-45, POD Nico Maumeasagisagi, Knox Lindsay;
U8 Orange Cheetahs won against Ardmore Marist Red 125-45, POD Evan Hugo, TOD Landon Van den Berg, Sportsmanship Oakley Robertson;
U9 Navy Makos POD Lewis Galloway, TOD Jaxon Gardner;
U9 Red Raptors won against Weymouth 60-0, POD Nixon Currie, TOD Carter Jones;
U10 Navy won against Drury, POD Colt Overend, TOD Ryder Donnelly;
U10 Mitre 10 Tigers won against Te Kauwhata 70-10, POD Taylor Robertson & TOD Caleb Rowson;
U11 Thunders won against Papakura Wasps 80-30, POD Liam du Preez, TOD Bennett Asplin;
U12 Navy had a bye;
U12 Orange lost to Ardmore Marist 105-7, POD Luke Deverell, TOD Cohen Royal;
U11 Girls Rip lost to Marist Eastern Red 17-9, POD Kiri Sophia Dixon, ROD Mila Grogan;
U13 Girls Rip won against Papatoetoe Lionesses 4-3, POD Stella Baptista, ROD Sophie Turner;
U15 Girls Rip won against East Tamaki Tui's 14-5, POD Sophie Watts, ROD Georgie Hamilton.

Pohutukawa Coast Netball Club



RESULTS FROM 20 MAY

S1 vs Shelly Park S1 - Lost 11 - 53 - POD Claudia Beere; **S2** vs Sunnyhills S4 - Won 23 - 10 - POD Keelyn Veitch; **S3** vs Pakuranga S2 - Lost 15 - 21 - Shannon Bremner
S4 vs Sunnyhills S9 - Won 18 - 16 - POD Belinda Meszaros; **C1** vs Livewires C1 - Won 20 - 13 - POD Cici Hunia; **C2** vs Wakaaranga Ruby - Won 17 - 15 - POD Ella Searle; **C3** vs Howick C4 - Won 12 - 6 - POD Zoe McColl; **J1** vs Sunnyhills J1 - Lost 7 - 44 - POD Meila Sachs; **J2** vs Sunnyhills J3 - Lost 4 - 16 - POD Leila Sowersby; **J3** vs Sunnyhills J5 - Lost 12 - 15 - POD Jodie Collis; **J4** vs Sunnyhills J6 - Won 14 - 8 - POD Mia Soares; **Y6** Fantails - POD Maddie Brown Douglas; **Y6** Keas - POD Georgie Mitchell; **Y6** Tuis - POD Zoe Marshall; **Y5** Kiwis - POD Jessica Blase; **Y5** Silvereyes - POD Sammy Mitchell.

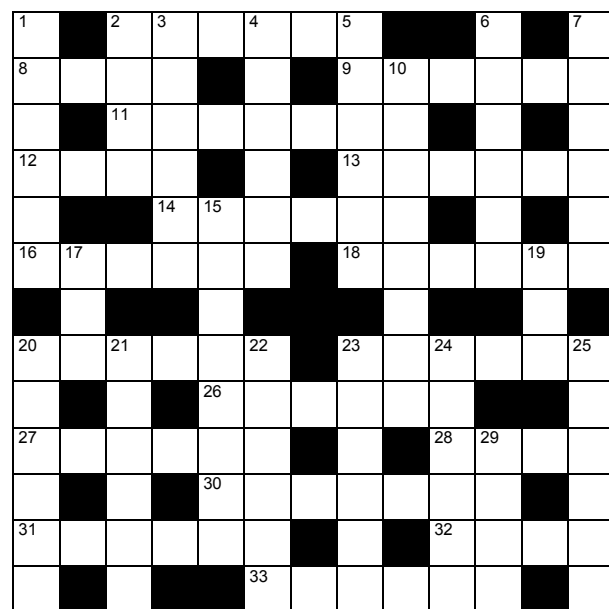
Clevedon Football Club



RESULTS FROM 20 MAY

CARDINALS U6 Player of the Day: AHAD HASSAN and Merit Award: HEATH EADE; **CHIEFS U8T** Player of the Day: COOPER WILLIAMS and Merit: JARED WATTUM; **CHIEFS U8H** Player of the Day: FERGUS NIELSEN VICKERS and Merit: JUDE MILNE; **CYCLONES U9** v Pukekohe AFC Red - Player of the Day: ROBBIE PARFOOT and Merit Award: SPENCER BULL; **COLTS U10** v Onehunga Mangere United AFC Red Rockets - Player of the Day: ARCHIE SNEDDON and Merit Award: MAC ALLEN; **CHEETAHS U11** v Onehunga Mangere United AFC Warriors - Player of the Day: JACOB NELSON and Merit Award: APURVA SOLANKI; **COBRAS U12** v Waiuku AFC Falcons - Player of the Day: ED BURTON and Merit Award: PARKER GIBBARD.

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14. Blithe unconcern (6)
16. Address boldly (6)
18. Tidily (6)
20. Web crawler (6)
23. Steel beam (6)
26. Threat (6)
27. Exclamation of dismay (inf) (6)
28. Go through (4)
30. Rational (7)
31. Jeopardy (6)
32. Self-satisfied (4)
33. Pantyhose (6)

Down

1. Layers (6)
2. Alleviate (4)
3. Wall painting (6)
4. Spread through (6)
5. Sycophant (3-3)
6. Ploy; also a chess strategy (6)
7. Scungy (6)
10. Bad-tempered (8)
15. Gather (8)
17. Place a limit on (3)
19. Whopper (3)
20. Break away (6)
21. Large lizard (6)
22. Holiday place (6)
23. Playing on screen (6)
24. Meal (6)
25. Give notice (6)
29. Donations (4)

Answers on page 10

PC Times Catch of the Week photo competition



Mates Will Price and Kayden Campbell went out for a fish in Will's dingy and hooked up this impressive 13.5 kg kingi. It took a bit of team work to land it with no net or gaff. Just another Beachlands adventure!

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.

Rural communities fed up with lack of stormwater maintenance

- by Laura Kvigstad, Auckland Council reporter
Funded by New Zealand on Air

Rural advocates say they have been left to manage stormwater drains on their own and are fed up by Auckland Council's inaction.

At the Rural Advisory Panel meeting earlier this year, members expressed frustration over maintenance for rural stormwater drains being abandoned by Council.

Healthy Waters Safe Septic programme lead Elizabeth Johnson said they were rapidly developing a flood response programme with some focus on rural areas.

One area being looked at was building rural community resilience. "We know rural communities are pretty resilient. If a storm drain is blocked we know you guys will just muck in and do it," Johnson said.

The comment did not sit well with panel member Leanne Roberts who said "that is not a fair expectation on rural communities."

Member Trish Fordyce said it was an offence to do work, like clearing storm drains, on rural roads without consent.

Fordyce said that in the forestry industry "we have to have a maintenance plan for our roads and we are required to check them after a storm event – we don't see that requirement from Auckland Transport."

Member Steve Levet said he saw the fear from farmers whose drains on council roads were blocked up.

"On our farm, my brother was too scared to clean the drain out – the whole time [they were clearing the drain], we were s**t scared that the council was going to come out," Levet said.

"A lot of the problems that have happened in rural Rodney are from a lack of maintenance. If you wait for the council to come along and clean them, it just won't happen."

Member Keith Vallabh said before council amalgamated there was regular maintenance on the road network.

"We have not seen anything cleaned since we have been a part of the greater Auckland Council," Vallabh said.

"I do know that when I went around the district, where things had blown out was where there was a lack of maintenance."

Member Linda Potauaine said she had taken an Auckland Transport (AT) staff member to where a drain was meant to be but was now overgrown.

"The AT person said that there was no drain there," Potauaine said, but says she later proved to the AT staff member a drain was meant to be there.

Rural Advisory Panel Chair Andy Baker said he was working as an Auckland Transport board member to get some improvements for rural roads.

"It won't be overnight," Baker said, adding that a statement of intent was expected to be received from AT shortly.

He acknowledged planning had not been "the flashest on the Council side".

Maraetai seawall damaged

A king tide combined with a storm surge saw flooding across the Maraetai Coast Road last Friday, resulting in damage to parts of the main beach seawall.

Franklin Local Board member Malcolm Bell says Auckland Council has been notified and will repair the damage in due course.



Right: damage to the Maraetai Beach seawall.

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The property management team at Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands ran an Easter Colouring Competition recently, with six choc-packed prize hampers up for grabs across two age categories (under 6's and 7-12yr olds). The branch was buzzing with excitement as countless kids hopped in to hand deliver their mini masterpieces. And the winners were: (under 6's) 1st Grace 6yrs, 2nd Tyler 6yrs, 3rd Issac 2yrs. (7-12yr olds) 1st James 8yrs, 2nd Tessa 8yrs, 3rd Jaxon 10yrs.



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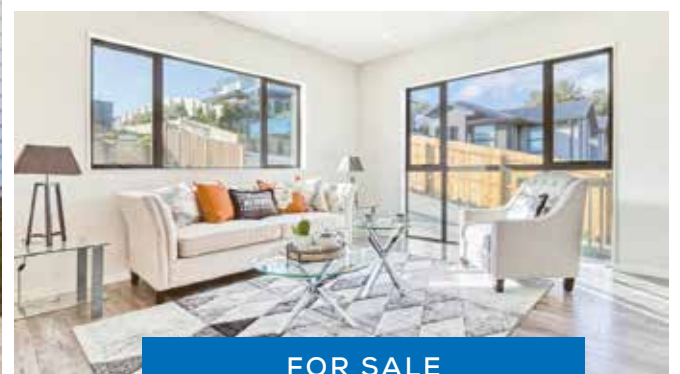
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