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Bill Hohepa reels in lifelong feature film dream



Bill and Linda Hohepa (right) pictured with some of the cast of Bill's first feature film, currently being filmed around the Pōhutukawa Coast. Image supplied.

At 79 years old, Beachlands identity Bill Hohepa is fulfilling a lifelong ambition by making his first feature film. Well known as a fisherman, television presenter and author, Bill is now turning his hand to filmmaking, editing the footage himself and even creating music for the film using AI.

"When I was 12 years old, I decided that my career path would be that of a film maker," says Hohepa. "I was fascinated by the Saturday matinées at the Avondale picture theatre and wondered how they did it."

"My idea went 'poof' when my mother told me she couldn't afford to keep me at school any longer, she had found me a job which started the next day ... bye! I was not quite 15," he says.

While his early plans were derailed by life and work, the dream never faded. Bill picked up some early film-making skills at the age of 44 when he decided it was time to make a video about fishing. He partnered with Peter Laubscher, who he says "knew all there was to know about making TV". Peter

mentored Bill for the next three years.

"I learnt everything I could from him," he says.

In 1993 Bill bought a video camera and an editing suite. His wife, Linda, is a professional photographer and took on the role of filming, while Bill juggled roles as frontman and editor.

Bill went on to build a remarkable career, producing a 13-year fishing series which screened 40 episodes a year. In 2010, he switched focus to a TV series about the history of NZ transport and machinery, leaning on his previous experience in the transport industry. The transport series ran for 15 years, at 40 shows a year.

"Linda and I could do it all," he says.

Despite all the success, filmmaking remained the ultimate

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Editorial by Hūnua Ararimu and Paparimu Valleys Residents Association

Hūnua residents ramp up opposition campaign as they wait to hear if managed fill proposal will be referred to Fast-Track

“We’re not keeping quiet and we’re not going away!” That’s the message from Hūnua Ararimu Paparimu Valley Residents Association (HAPVRA) as the community waits to hear if a managed fill proposal will be referred to a Fast-Track panel for consideration or be refused.

HAPVRA learned last month (April) that the applicant behind a 790,000 cubic metre managed fill (construction waste) to be built on top of a hill in Jones Rd, Hūnua had lodged the proposal with Fast-Track. Infrastructure Minister Chris Bishop and his team will now decide if it goes to a Fast-Track panel for consideration or be refused.

Meanwhile the clock is ticking on the applicant’s original resource consent application. They paused proceedings two weeks out from an Auckland Council resource consent hearing after planning officials recommended it be refused. Now they have until 21 May to reactivate it if the Fast-Track referral doesn’t go their way.

In the meantime, HAPVRA has started a major social media awareness campaign, featuring local residents, with a theme of ‘real stories from real people.’

HAPVRA co-chair, Maxine Clayton has a television and communications background and says each video has a different angle but the messaging is similar: “The community’s biggest fears are to do with how this managed fill will impact public health and safety, whether it’s how Hūnua Gorge can safely accommodate a further 190 daily truck movements, the effects of contaminated dust particles on roofs that feed rainwater tanks or how leachate could (if not properly managed or contained) contaminate Hays Creek



Concerned locals and HAPVRA team members meet with the National Party’s Papakura candidate Emma Chatterton at a property neighbouring the proposed fill site which will sit higher than the Wellington Cake Tin.

Dam’s catchment and Auckland’s drinking supply.”

More than 500 opposition submissions were sent to Auckland Council, so there’s no shortage of residents ready to step in front of a camera to get their point across.

“The videos are getting great traction,” says Maxine. “No-one can understand how this proposal can go ahead when Winstone’s Quarry is just five kilometres away. They are already taking managed fill and have ample capacity. That’s where it belongs. Not on farmland in a high rainfall, high wind area, prone to slips.”

2026 is election year and HAPVRA has spent weeks quietly meeting with MPs about the issue:

“We are getting a very warm response”, says HAPVRA co-chair, Geraldine Schnauer.

“Fast-Track was meant for essential projects such as hospitals, schools, important new roads, expanding existing quarries, not destroying farmland when viable alternatives exist already.

“We are not opposed to progress and the Fast-Track system at all, it has its place for major infrastructure projects that benefit

communities. But this is not the case here.”

The Hūnua Ranges is famous for its waterfalls, walking tracks, mountain biking and picnic areas. The kōkako breeding programme has had widespread acclaim. If the fill is approved, visitors will drive past the site on their way to Auckland’s favourite playground.

“Watch out New Zealand, if this proposed fill goes ahead, it will create a precedent, no rural or semi-rural area will be safe.

“We don’t believe the National Party had destruction of the gateway to the Hūnua Ranges in mind when they passed the Fast-Track legislation in 2024,” says Geraldine.



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goal. Inspiration came from an 11-year-old boy with leukaemia who attended one of Bill's fishing camps.

"I was impressed with his attitude to life and his get up and go," says Bill. "Sadly he passed away not long after that camp. About three weeks later I sat down and wrote the script for the movie we're making now."

It has taken more than 30 years for Bill to bring the script to life, but now is the right time, he says.

"So now I've started out on what I would call the pinnacle of my career, making a real movie," he says.

The film, *A Fish Full of Dollars*, centres around a boy with leukaemia (played by local Cooper Harris) and his friend (another local, Ramon Laker). The pair befriend a fishing writer and his offsider and they go fishing for a day. Upon finding out the boy has leukaemia, the fishing writer decides to embark on a fundraising exercise to raise enough money for the boy and his mother to fly to the USA for treatment. They enter three major fishing competitions with the goal of winning the big prizes on offer. A nationwide search

to enlist the help of legendary fisherman, Bill Hohepa, begins. Legend has it that Bill has caught the same huge fish 'Clyde' three times. Could Clyde be their shot at winning?

13-year-old Ramon Laker (from Maraetai) has embraced his first appearance on camera. He was first introduced to Bill by Maraetai Beach School principal Lou Reddy, who knew Ramon was good at fishing and thought he might like to be involved with the movie.

"I was excited when he asked me because I'd be able to go on big fishing adventures," says Ramon.

He soon found himself living the dream, fishing from a large boat, catching "some epic fish".

He says the acting part is easy. "Cause it's just fun and realistic." The best thing though, he says, has been picking up fishing techniques from the experts.

Cooper Harris, also aged 13 (from Beachlands) stars as the boy with leukaemia in the film. Like Ramon, he has enjoyed the fishing aspect of the film, with his most exciting moment catching a kingfish.

Cooper says he has learned that acting takes a lot of time and re-doing. "But it's also fun."



Bill Hohepa edits his film footage from his home office in Beachlands.

As well as familiar faces, locals will spot familiar locations throughout the film, including Pine Harbour, Whitford, Maraetai Beach Boat Club, Sunkist Wharf and Beachlands Boating Club.

Bill is yet to fill the role of some of the remaining character parts, and will soon

be looking for locals to take part in a crowd scene at Pine Harbour.

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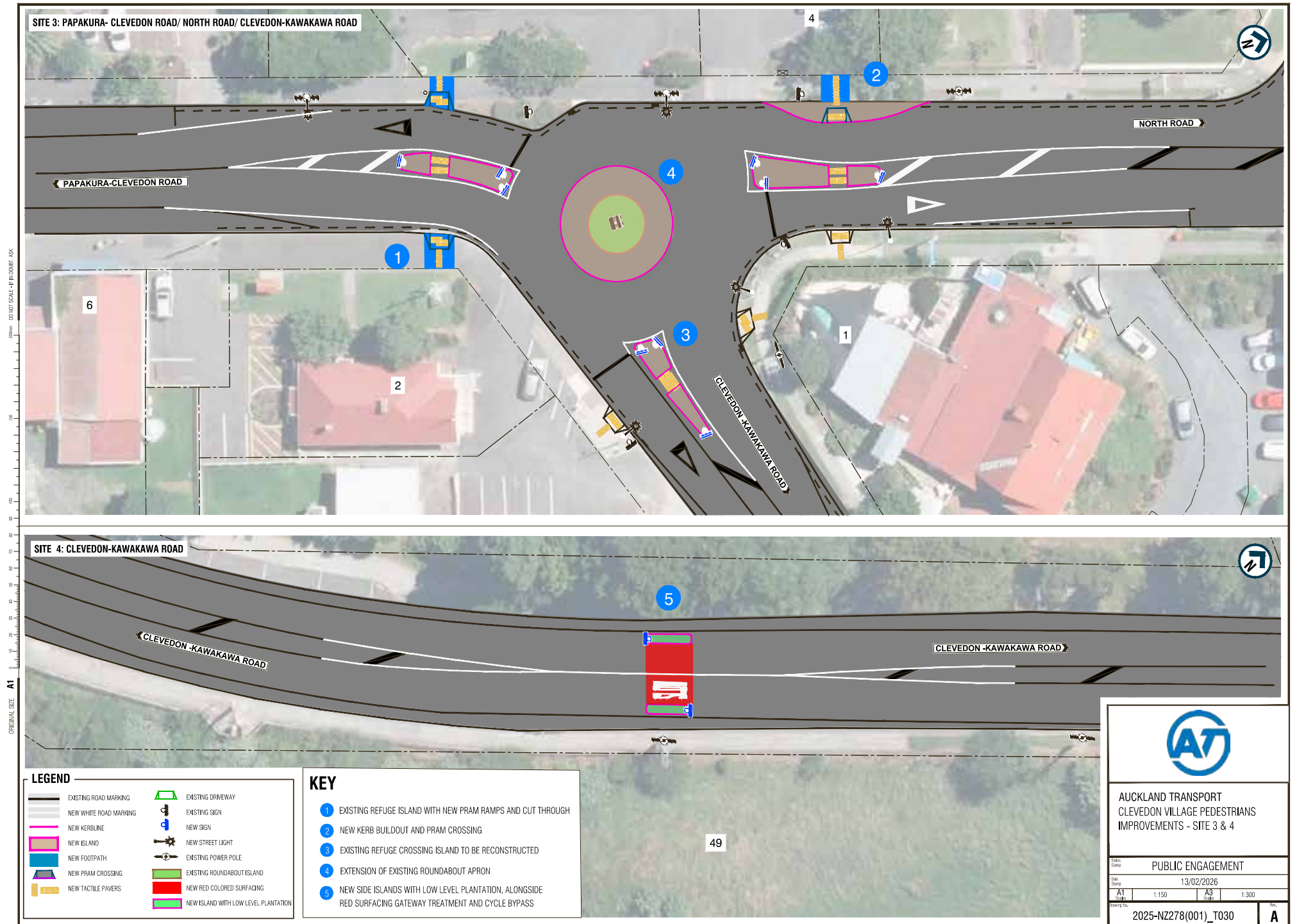
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AT seeks feedback on safer crossings for Clevedon Village



Plan showing proposed changes to the Clevedon roundabout and pedestrian islands, and at the back gate to Clevedon School. Image supplied by Auckland Transport.

Following community feedback about walking safety in Clevedon Village, Auckland Transport is seeking feedback on the next stage of proposed pedestrian safety improvements at two locations. Having confirmed a new pedestrian crossing for the main village which should be in place soon, and safer pedestrian access north of the school, AT has now turned its sights to further improvements.

Site 3 – The North Road / Papakura-Clevedon Road / Clevedon-Kawakawa Road roundabout

The proposed changes aim to make it easier and safer for people to cross near the roundabout, while also helping larger vehicles move through the roundabout more smoothly. The proposals include:

- Extending the mountable roundabout aprons to provide extra turning space for large vehicles such as buses, semi-trucks, and vehicles with trailers
- Upgrading the splitter islands on both Papakura–Clevedon Road and Clevedon–Kawakawa Road near the roundabout, adding pram ramps and making it safer and easier for people to cross. This includes a new pedestrian cut through on Papakura–Clevedon Road, which will replace the existing courtesy crossing near the Clevedon Superette as part of previously

consulted safety improvements.

- Building out the kerb and adding pram ramps on North Road near the roundabout, making it easier and more accessible for people walking, including those with prams or mobility needs.

AT says these changes link with earlier safety improvements near the village shops, helping create a more connected walking route through the centre of Clevedon.

Site 4 – Clevedon–Kawakawa Road, near the school back gate

AT is proposing the following changes to help slow traffic and make crossings more visible:

- Adding side islands, red road surfacing with “SLOW” markings, and signage near the Clevedon School back gate to visually narrow the road and help slow traffic.
- Adding cycle bypasses beside the side islands, giving cyclists a dedicated space and improving safety
- Adding low planting to improve the look of the street while keeping sightlines clear for people walking, cycling and driving.

Have your say

Auckland Transport is keen to hear the Clevedon community’s views about what works well, and what could work better.

From 7 May to 21 May, visit, haveyoursay.at.govt.nz (search “Clevedon Village pedestrian safety Site 3 and 4”) to view the proposals and share your feedback.

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Hopes high for long-awaited Whitford Manor wastewater solution

The liquidators of Whitford Manor Estate are preparing for a resource consent hearing on 20 May, at which they hope to arrive at a solution to address the development’s wastewater woes.

The Whitford Residents and Ratepayers Association has also engaged experts to present at the hearing.

The development has been plagued by wastewater issues over the past few years, after original consented plans were changed by the land’s developer, Le Coz Limited, leading to sewage being stored on site in large tanks which are now regularly emptied and carted away by trucks.

Sewage leaks from the tanks made for unpleasant living for the development’s new residents, and saw the development issued with infringement and abatement notices from Auckland Council. Meanwhile

amenities promised by Le Coz, including recreation facilities and a pool, failed to materialise.

Le Coz, whose sole director and shareholder was Kevin Murphy, successfully sought a \$20m loan from MC Whitford Pty (a subsidiary of Australian-based firm Merricks Capital) in 2022, to allow the development to move forward.

According to the *NZ Herald*, Le Coz Ltd stopped repaying the loan just four months later. Merricks Capital appointed receivers KPMG to recover the now-\$32m-plus debt last August.

If the upcoming resource consent hearing results in a permanent solution for dealing with the development’s wastewater, Whitford Manor’s liquidators can proceed with selling remaining 31 vacant lots to recoup money owed to MC Whitford Pty.

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What is your personal connection to the Wairoa subdivision?

I've spent most of my life in rural Franklin. My husband Max and I raised our family in Ardmore for 14 years, so I understand what day-to-day life looks like in these communities and am aware of the issues facing Beachlands, Maraetai and Clevedon.

We now live in Bombay, still very much part of the rural lifestyle. That lived experience shapes how I think. Practical, grounded, and focused on what actually matters to families out here.

What do you see as the most pressing issues facing Beachlands, Maraetai, Whitford, Clevedon, Hunua and surrounding areas over the next three years, and what specific

steps would you take as a Board member to address them?

A few things stand out straight away.

First is growth and development. These areas are changing quickly, and if not handled well, existing communities are pushed aside. I have seen this up close, so I would be focused on making sure development works for locals, not just on paper but in reality.

Second is transport - Local Boards are about to be given more transport-related decision-making and stronger advocacy powers. I will make sure items such as our rural road maintenance including clearing of road drains and vegetation is given greater attention, as safety is a real concern.

Third is small business. Running a business locally, I know how tough it can be. We need to make sure Franklin remains a place where small businesses can survive and grow, not get squeezed out.

Fourth is local facilities and services. Sometimes it is the smaller things, like a playground, that make a big difference to families. I would focus on listening to what people actually need and helping get those things delivered.

Lastly, communication. People get frustrated when they feel left in the dark. I would make a point of keeping residents informed about what is happening locally, the good, the bad, and what is coming next, so people feel part of it, not shut out.

What previous involvement have you had in community projects and organisations?

I've been involved in both business and community work for a long time. I co-founded Seedlings Education (Home-Based), which grew into one of Auckland's top performing home-based early childhood providers. That meant working closely with families from all sorts of backgrounds, and dealing with governance, compliance, and the real-world challenges family face.

On the community side, I have actively advocated on behalf of neighbours regarding development issues connected to Ardmore Airport and supported the local kids in presenting their case to the Franklin Local Board for a playground.

Clare Alder
Franklin Local Board - Wairoa By-election

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Beachlands Maraetai U13 Girls Mako Navy - BYE
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Beachlands Maraetai U15 Girls Mako Orange v Otahuhu Moana Under 15 Girls, 55-25
Beachlands Maraetai Sharks U85 v Pukekohe Pirate's U85, 17-41
 Karaka Year 1 Hawks v **Beachlands Maraetai Year 1 Navy Mako**, 11-12, **POD** Hugo Jenkins, **ROD** Travis Bymolt
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Beachlands Maraetai Year 4 Mako Navy v Te Kauwhata Year 4 Black, 55-40, **POD** Jaxon Good, **TOD** Beau Jesep
Beachlands Maraetai Year 4 Mako Orange v Pukekohe Year 4 Green, 10-0
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Beachlands Maraetai Year 7 Mako v Ardmore Marist Year 7 Blue, 80-17, **POD** Ryan McWatt
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Ryder Johnson and Lucas Water (U8 Comets)



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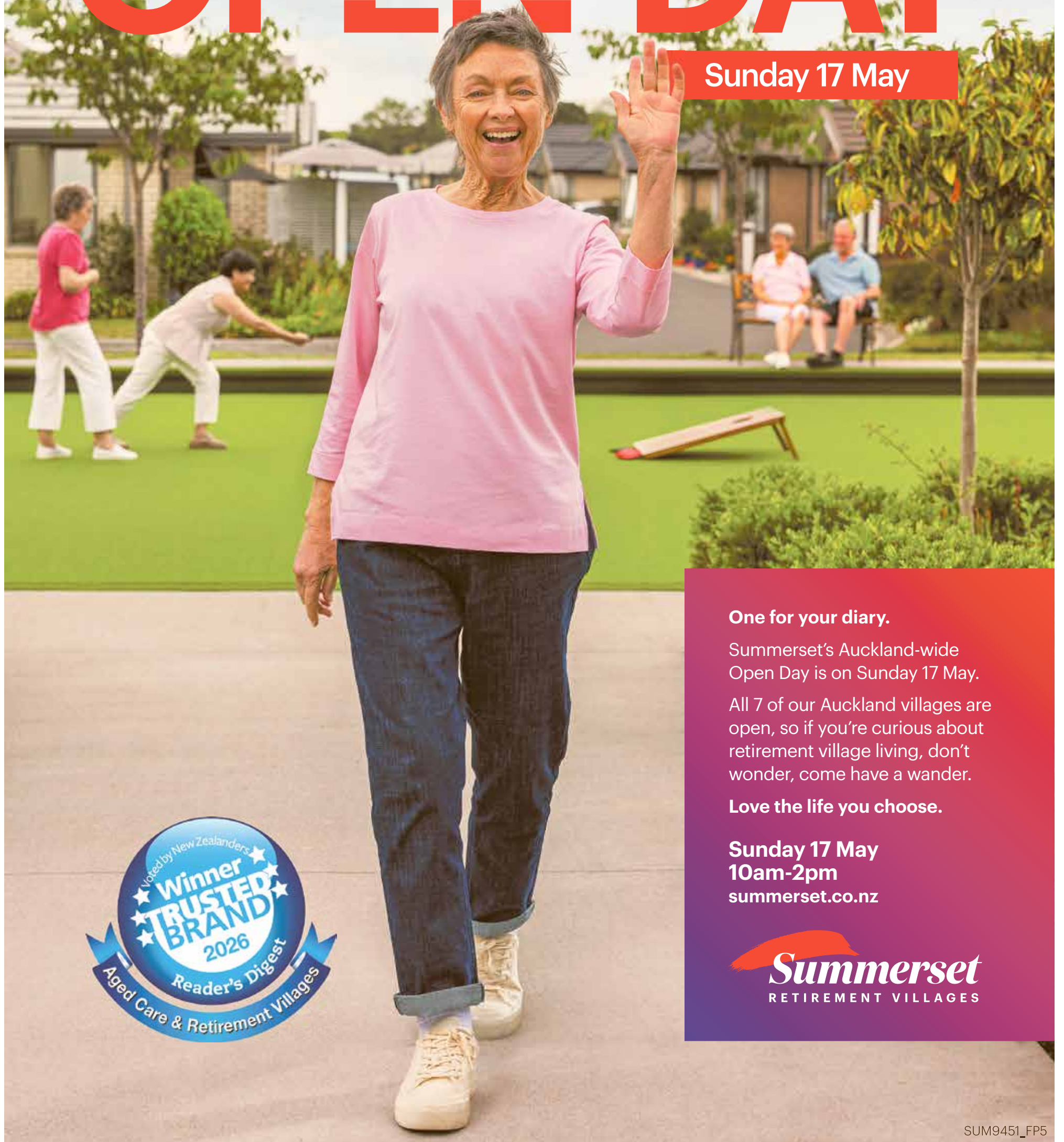
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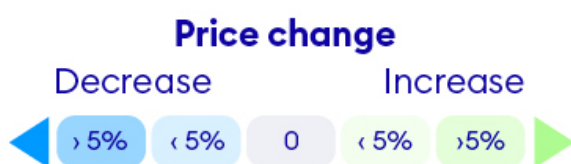
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National average asking price for April 2026: \$869,023

Region	Apr-25	Feb-25	Mar-26	Apr-26	YoY	MoM
Auckland	\$1,026,632	\$1,042,868	\$1,036,395	\$1,034,504	0.8% ▲	-0.2% ▼
Bay of Plenty	\$955,657	\$907,924	\$857,559	\$914,492	-4.3% ▼	6.6% ▲
Canterbury	\$708,645	\$729,264	\$727,003	\$735,798	3.8% ▲	1.2% ▲
Central North Island	\$776,064	\$866,731	\$800,590	\$824,160	6.2% ▲	2.9% ▲
Central Otago / Lakes District	\$1,504,179	\$1,611,652	\$1,650,243	\$1,555,482	3.4% ▲	-5.7% ▼
Coromandel	\$1,045,753	\$1,091,727	\$1,163,264	\$1,087,209	4.0% ▲	-6.5% ▼
Gisborne	\$731,531	\$727,324	\$672,879	\$704,667	-3.7% ▼	4.7% ▲
Hawke's Bay	\$777,067	\$742,409	\$776,157	\$728,162	-6.3% ▼	-6.2% ▼
Manawatu / Whanganui	\$595,285	\$612,946	\$598,984	\$624,176	4.9% ▲	4.2% ▲
Marlborough	\$786,037	\$774,830	\$728,067	\$707,013	-10.1% ▼	-2.9% ▼
Nelson & Bays	\$871,738	\$846,375	\$833,726	\$846,039	-2.9% ▼	1.5% ▲
Northland	\$837,814	\$802,148	\$845,887	\$834,286	-0.4% ▼	-1.4% ▼
Otago	\$623,538	\$625,180	\$625,131	\$628,106	0.7% ▲	0.5% ▲
Southland	\$524,098	\$586,447	\$548,009	\$617,879	17.9% ▲	12.7% ▲
Taranaki	\$681,076	\$681,590	\$655,745	\$668,024	-1.9% ▼	1.9% ▲
Waikato	\$790,705	\$800,838	\$787,915	\$806,051	1.9% ▲	2.3% ▲
Wairarapa	\$743,638	\$711,413	\$692,777	\$682,201	-8.3% ▼	-1.5% ▼
Wellington	\$818,822	\$803,948	\$796,703	\$812,701	-0.7% ▼	2.0% ▲
West Coast	\$459,272	\$495,121	\$541,623	\$560,725	22.1% ▲	3.5% ▲
National	\$850,494	\$861,879	\$860,723	\$869,023	2.2% ▲	1.0% ▲



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Asking prices for new listing calculated as seasonally adjusted prices using X13 ARIMA methodology.



Pōhutukawa Coast & Country OPEN HOMES

OPEN HOMES - SATURDAY 9 MAY & SUNDAY 10 MAY 2026

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	PRICE	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	OFFICE
	2:00 - 2:30	Negotiation	5 Angiangi Cres, Beachlands	3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, office, 2 lounges, 3 car garaging, expansive sea views	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
3:00 - 3:30	3:00 - 3:30	Negotiation	48 Porterfield Road, Whitford	80 acre lifestyle property, 6 bedroom, 5 bathroom, 3 living area, pool, panoramic vistas	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
12:00 - 12:30	12:00 - 12:30	\$ 1,379,000	19 Pinebrook Lane, Maraetai	4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, double glazed, double garage, private native bush outlook	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
1:00 - 1:30	1:00 - 1:30	\$ 1,639,000	23 Karo Road, Beachlands	4 bedrooms, office, 2 bathrooms, 2 lounges, butler's pantry, beautiful landscaping	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
12:00 - 12:30		\$ 2,399,000	33 Pohutukawa Road, Beachlands	Waterfront, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 1214m2 section, stunning views, over 300m2	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
11:00 - 11:30	11:00 - 11:30	\$ 1,249,000	10 Kowaitau Avenue, Beachlands	Brand new, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 lounges, butler's pantry, ducted air-conditioning	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
11:00 - 11:30		\$ 1,879,000	18 Keshvara Road, Beachlands	5 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 3 lounges, approximately 270m2, double glazed, views	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
12:00 - 12:30	12:00 - 12:30	Negotiation	63 Angiangi Crescent, Beachlands	4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 lounges, 2 car garaging, private corner site, established landscaping	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
1:00 - 1:30	1:00 - 1:30	\$ 1,485,000.00	29D Wakelin Road, Beachlands	4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 2 lounges, 2 car garaging, 1943m2 section	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
12:00 - 12:30	12:00 - 12:30	Negotiation	5 Rewa Road, Maraetai	927m2 section, 100m from the beach, makeover or rebuild	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
12:00 - 12:30	12:00 - 12:30	\$ 1,769,000.00	25 Te Puru Drive, Maraetai	4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 lounges, 2 car garaging, sea views	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
3:00 - 3:30		\$ 1,149,000	33A Bell Road, Beachlands	3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, private location, 2 living areas, single garage	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
3:00 - 3:30		Negotiation	55 Eighth View Avenue, Beachlands	5 bedrooms, 4 lounges, 4 bathrooms, sea views, double glazed, approximately 330m2	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
	2:00 - 2:30	\$ 1,785,000	169 Jack Lachlan Drive, Pine Harbour, Beachlands	Iconic "Boathouse" 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, butler's pantry, lift, double garage	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
10:30 - 11:30		\$ 2,995,000	12 Campbell Road, Maraetai	Waterfront, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, stunning sea views, beach access, double garage, 332m2	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
2:00 - 2:30	2:00 - 2:30	\$ 1,898,000.00	1 Liberty Crescent, Beachlands	5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 lounges, 4 car garaging, sea views, outdoor kitchen & bar area	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
3:00 - 3:30	3:00 - 3:30	\$ 1,479,000	35 Doidge Street, Beachlands	4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 lounges, butler's pantry, approx 237m2, priced to sell	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
	3:00 - 3:30	Tender 7th May (unless sold prior)	58 Weatherly Drive, Spinnaker Bay, Beachlands	5 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 2 living areas, wide sea views, swimming pool, over 320m2	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
	3:00 - 3:30	\$2,195,000	36 Weatherly Drive, Spinnaker Bay, Beachlands	6 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, office, 2 living areas, pool, butler's pantry, approx 339m2	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
	2:00 - 2:30	\$ 949,000.00	21 Gateway Avenue, Beachlands	3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 1 garage, private sunny patio, move-in-ready	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
2:00 - 2:30	2:00 - 2:30	Tender 7th May (unless sold prior)	350 Clifton Road, Whitford	5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 lounges, office, large barn with sleep out	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
	12:00-12:30	Tender 21st May (unless sold prior)	81A Maraetai School Road, Maraetai	Home & Income - Main house 4 bedrooms & 2 bathrooms. Unit 2 bedrooms & 1 bathroom	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
2:00 - 2:30		Tender 14th May (unless sold prior)	10 Columbia Crescent, Spinnaker Bay, Beachlands	4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 lounges, office, swimming pool, sea views, near reserve	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
11:00 - 11:30	11:00 - 11:30	\$ 1,375,000	11 Kowaitau Avenue, Beachlands	Brand new, 4 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, 2 lounges, garage, gorgeous kitchen, near marina	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
2:00 - 2:30	2:00 - 2:30	Tender 14th May (unless sold prior)	12 Liberty Crescent, Spinnaker Bay, Beachlands	5 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, 3 living areas, huge 412m2, swimming pool, sea views, near reserve	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
12:00 - 12:30	12:00 - 12:30	\$ 1,249,000	18B Cadwil Drive, Beachlands	3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, garage, 400m2 section, single level, double glazed	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
1:00 - 1:30	1:00 - 1:30	Tender 14th May (unless sold prior)	1A Fourth View Avenue, Beachlands	2 bedroom cottage, 1 bathroom, 999m2 section, garage	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
1:00 - 1:30	1:00 - 1:30	Auction	32 Carlton Crescent, Beachlands	2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 lounges, office, expansive views, Maraetai lifestyle	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
1:00 - 1:30	1:00 - 1:30	Tender	35 Columbia Crescent, Beachlands	5 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 3 lounges, 2 car garaging, private courtyard, sea views	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
2:00 - 2:30	2:00 - 2:30	\$ 2,750,000.00	568 Redoubt Road, Flat Bush	5 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 2 lounges, 2 car garaging, secure gated driveway, 5021m2 section	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
1:00 - 1:30	1:00 - 1:30	Tender 21st May (unless sold prior)	84 Intrepid Crescent, Beachlands	5 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, 3 lounges, office, 2 car garaging, sunny private deck, separate wing	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands
1:00 - 1:30	1:00 - 1:30	Tender 14th May (unless sold prior)	7 Maraetai Heights Road, Maraetai	Home & Income - Main house 4 bedrooms & 2 bathrooms. Minor Dwelling 2 bedrooms. Big views	Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands

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- 2T chia seeds
- 1 cup thick greek unsweetened yoghurt
- 1 banana
- 2 medjool dates
- 1t honey

Method:

1. Cover the chia seeds in 1/4 cup of warm water and leave to soak until they absorb the water - about 10 minutes.
2. Stir the chia seeds through the yoghurt, then leave overnight in the fridge.
3. The next morning, slice the banana lengthways, then cut each piece in half. Remove stones from dates, and cut in half. Pan fry banana and dates in a small amount of butter or olive oil. Once they are browned on both sides, drizzle with honey and cook for a further minute.
4. Add chia and yoghurt mix to a serving bowl, top with bananas and dates and a drizzle of olive oil. You can also sprinkle over some walnuts or pumpkin seeds to add some healthy fats to the dish.



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Community Calendar

Listings in our Community Calendar are free. Activities must be not-for-profit and have a community focus. For listings, email info@pctimes.co.nz - include activity, day of week, time, venue and contact details.

Weekly events

MONDAY

- **CASUAL BADMINTON:** ages 16+ - 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, \$7
- **JUMPING JUNIORS GYMNASTICS:** ages 1-4 - 11.00-11.45 Te Puru Community Centre, \$14
- **COASTAL PLAYGROUP:** 5 Jacobs Way, Maraetai. 9am-12pm. Bubs till 5 yrs. Sarah 022 082 6432.

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:** 9:00-10:30am, Te Puru Centre, FREE.
- **TABLE TENNIS** - 1:30pm-3:30pm, Te Puru Centre - Free
- **BASKETBALL:** All ages - 4-8pm, 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 COMMUNITY CHOIR:** 7.15 - 8.45pm. pcsings@hotmail.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
- **FEVER DANCE:** Fever Line Dance Beginners, 11-12pm Te Puru Community Centre. Stomp It Out, 7-8pm Franklin Tavern. Ezabelle Els 02108439334.
- **OMANA STAMP CLUB:** 1pm. Beachlands Chartered Club, 2nd Tuesday of the month. Mike 536 5976 and Graham 536 6958.

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 \$7 Te Puru Centre.
- **CASUAL BADMINTON:** 10.15am-12.15pm, Te Puru Centre. All welcome. FREE.
- **SENIOR CIRCUIT:** 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.
- **CLEVEDON FIRESIDE BRIDGE CLUB:** 10.15am, Clevedon Anglican. Lessons avail. Pauline 299 7433.
- **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.
- **CASUAL PICKLEBALL:** (FREE) 12-2pm, Te Puru Community Centre

THURSDAY

- **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.
- **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:** 5:00pm, all ages and abilities welcome. Te Puru Sports Fields by the playground. Term time only. Anna 021 428 971
- **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 6-9pm, Te Puru Community Centre
- **POHUTUKAWA COAST FRIENDSHIP CLUB (formerly Probuss):** Every second Thursday of the month at the Presbyterian Church, 5 Jacobs Way, Maraetai. Secretary: Rhonda Pike 021909724
- **FEVER DANCE:** 6.30-8pm Beachlands Memorial Hall. Country Swing 6.30pm, Line Dance Beginners 7pm, Line Dance Intermediate.7.30pm. Ezabelle Els 02108439334.

FRIDAY

- **SENIOR CIRCUIT:** 9-10am 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 10-12 noon. Clevedon Sports Centre, 65 Monument Road. New members, beginners or advanced most welcome. Phone Marian 027 296 3827 or Gerri 022 414 0449.
- **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.
- **CASUAL PICKLEBALL:** (\$7) 10.30am-12pm, Te Puru Community Centre
- **ART GROUP:** 10.30-12.30 Beachlands Hall - bring your project, share knowledge and connect. All ages and abilities welcome. Email Samantha pcartshub@gmail.com

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 MARKET DAY:** Last Saturday of every month (Except June). For info email janicehawken05@gmail.com, ph 021 184 5354

SUNDAY

- **TOY LIBRARY:** 12pm-1pm, 59 Third View Ave. Can view & reserve toys online. Contact Betty Wilkings 021 492 325.

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BARFOOT THOMPSON & Student Voice

LOCAL STUDENTS' NEWS, VIEWS & LITERARY TALENT

This column features news, views and literary talents of students from Beachlands, Maraetai, Clevedon, Brookby, Hunua, Paparimu, Orere and Ardmore Schools. 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.



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Richard Alexander Henderson 'Man with Donkey'

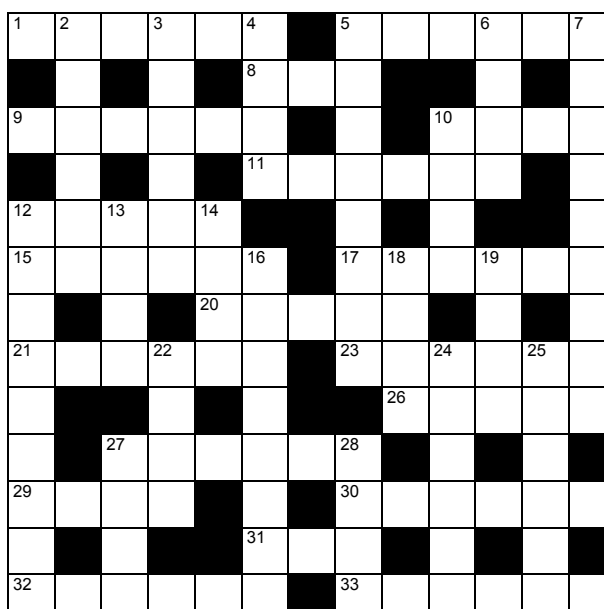
Richard 'Dick' Alexander Henderson was born in 1895. He had six elder siblings. His father was J. Henderson and his mother's maiden name was Elva Powley. His childhood home was in Grey Lynn, Auckland, New Zealand. He lived a pretty uneventful life prior to enlistment, as a teacher in Mangatangi School. He then signed up to be a member of the medical corps.

Dick was admitted into the medical corp field as a stretcher bearer, so his job was running bodies from no man's zone back to the beach. It was a stressful and dangerous job. Although the unsaid rule is to not hurt the medical crew, stray bullets still often hit the stretcher bearers. While Dick was bringing people to the beach, another man was having his rise to glory, a man named William Henry, for having the genius to bring people back with a donkey. Many stretcher bearers and even members of the army found his courage and determination inspiring, as he would always come back with one or even two wounded soldiers. To quote a direct descendant: "A truly brave and courageous man and proud to call him my relative." He received the Military Medal, the 1914-1915 Star, the British War Medal, and the Victory Medal. All were well deserved. But, what did Richard do after his famous war contributions?

After the war in Gallipoli, Dick went back to teaching, but lost his vision in 1934, forcing him to leave his job as a teacher. He then lived the rest of his life with many medical problems, some resulting from the exposure to gas in the war. He married Margaret Jane O'Neil had two children, Peter John Henderson and Florence Avice Henderson. He sadly passed away in Auckland Hospital, 14 November 1958 from pneumonia.

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Across

1. Film genre (6)
5. Arch of the foot (6)
8. Possess (3)
9. Bewildered (6)
10. False witness (4)
11. Severe telling-off (6)
12. Keen (5)
15. Line your pockets (6)
17. Soak (6)
20. Receiver of money (5)
21. Filter (6)
23. Meal (6)
26. Coerce (5)
27. Small person (inf) (6)
29. Horse sport (4)
30. Turned (6)
31. Toilet (inf) (3)
32. Small (6)
33. Romantic (6)

Down

2. Expression of dismay (2,4)
3. Easing (6)
4. Travelled (4)
5. Trespasser (8)
6. Follow (4)
7. Descend from the sky (9)
10. Entice (4)
12. Of bishops (9)
13. Lively person (4)
14. Fully developed (4)
16. Real (8)
18. Sandbank (4)
19. Within reach (4)
22. Resound (4)
24. Swoop (6)
25. Division (6)
27. Narrow opening (4)
28. Jab (4)

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