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Exciting new mural for Pātea



There will be an exciting new mural painted on the side of McCarty & Hungers building during the month of February by Dan Mills. Dan has created some beautiful murals around Taranaki, and we are so pleased he is able to return from Prague to paint a vibrant piece of art on this wall at the top of Bedford Street. Pātea Historical Society have organised and funded this project with the help of some funding from the Creative Communities grant and Pātea Community Board discretionary fund. Michaela Stoneman, Arts co-ordinator from STDC has been a big part of guiding us through the project. Watch this space for a whole new look in the next few weeks.



Wanganui Aeroclub Flies High on Open Day

Wanganui Aeroclub Open Day was a huge success with a crowd of people enjoying great weather and the thrill of watching some amazing aircraft take to the skies.

The Strikemaster 72 impressed our MP for Whanganui Carl Bates who was lucky enough to experience it up close and personal as he received a flight experience.

Thank you to everyone who attended and we look forward to seeing you next year.



Above: Waverley kids Eva & Liam Aplin having a great day. Here with the 1938 Piper J-2 Cub



Right: Leroy Johnston, Carl Bates MP for Whanganui and Charles,Strikemaster72 pilot.

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Sunday 4th February	St Lukes, Patea Rev. Tipene Anaru
Sunday 11th February	**No Service**
Wednesday 14th February	
Ash Wednesday Services with imposition of Ashes	
St Georges', Patea	12.15pm
Good Shepherd, Waverley	5.30pm
Sunday 18th February	St Luke's, Patea Rev. Russell Smith
Sunday 25th February	
Good Shepherd, Waverley	
Bishop Philip Richardson / Rev. Russell Smith	

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February 2024 Mass Times

Sunday 4th February	9.30am
Liturgy of the Word, St Patrick's, Patea	
Sunday 11th February	11.00am
Mass, St Francis de Sales, Waverley	
Sunday 18th February	9.30am
Liturgy of the Word, St Francis de Sales, Waverley	
Sunday 25th February	11.00am
Mass, St Patrick's, Patea	

Weekday Mass Times: St Patrick's, Patea

Thursday 1st February	9.30am
Thursday 15th February	9.30am
This will be an Ash Wednesday Celebration	

Carl's Comment

By Carl Bates, MP for Whanganui

Welcome to 2024! The New Year is well and truly underway, and I head back to Parliament next week.

The run-up to Christmas was busy, and included helping to judge the Patea Christmas Parade, then a public meeting in Patea early in December where it was great to hear directly from constituents about the issues of concern to them.

One of the issues discussed at that meeting was the appointment of a second Police officer for Hawera, and I was pleased to see that role being advertised in recent days. That will ease the concerns of many residents.

On Tuesday I drove up to Ngamatapouri for the Patea Community Board's first meeting of 2024. Attending events such as this is a distinct reminder to me that Whanganui is a large, diverse electorate and that constituents in our more remote areas are every bit as important as those living in town.

The nature of the job of MP is to be available to every constituent and to turn up and be seen, something the late Chester Borrows made clear to me ahead of my selection early last year.



Photo: Public Meeting held in Patea, December 2023

On Tuesday 30th January, I will have the privilege of delivering my maiden speech to Parliament. Maiden speeches usually have a deeply personal element, with MPs mentioning their upbringing, the beliefs and values that prompted them to enter Parliament, and the character of the community they represent.

Preparing the speech has given me the opportunity to reflect on how diverse our electorate is, yet at the same time there is much that binds us together. It will be great to have the opportunity to talk more about the Whanganui electorate during my speech.

Carl

A Christian Word

*I*saiah 63:1; "Who is this coming from Edom, from Bozrah, with His garments-stained crimson? Who is this, robed in splendour, striding forward in the greatness of His strength? It is I, speaking in righteousness, mighty to save!"
When I look at the way society is going, where wrong is made right, when laws are manufactured purposely to rebel against God's laws, when murder is not a problem anymore, 44.6 million abortions in 2023, we have become so de-sensitized that we hardly show any remorse or be bothered anymore! The media bombards us with their distorted points of view, even taking sides, we see & we believe! All this behaviour is a sure sign that Jesus is not too far off from returning. He will return, striding forth in His majesty, the greatness of His strength. The closer this appointed time by God Almighty becomes apparent, guaranteed that evil will prevail more than it already is. But, the most important period of time between today & the day Jesus returns, as it is written, "It is I, speaking in righteousness, mighty to save" The door is still open, Father God is patient, He knows & waits for you to come to this place of repentance, by asking Jesus to forgive & save you for all Eternity, this is God's will for you, that no man should perish. But you have to understand this, God has given you your sovereignty, that is, your free will, you alone get to decide about your Eternal future & here's the true reality of your decision, you get to choose Heaven or Hell! God does not make this decision – you do! Today, perhaps you're not in the least concerned over this, but don't let the media or other people decide for you! It is the greatest decision you will ever make; it is that serious! As a man of God, it is my obligation, so to speak, to tell you, even warn you about your decision. Jesus calls; "come to me all who are weary & heavy laden & I will give you rest" Put all your cares upon Jesus & accept His Eternal rest as yours! The door is open!

Come Lord Jesus
Ted Reeves Patea

Waverley Music & Play

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Waverley Baptist Church

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Waverley Baptist Church
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06 273 8358 for time & dates. Open to all men.

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Community Foodbank:
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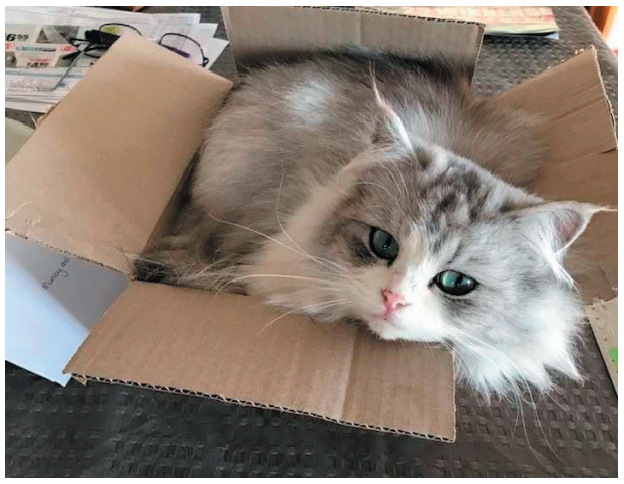

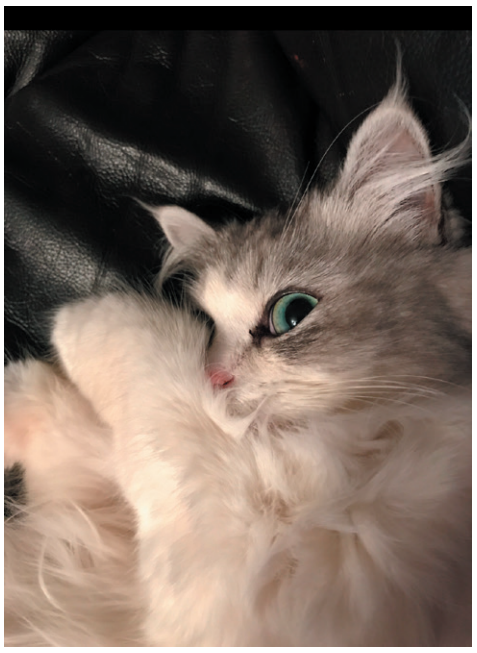

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Since I first wrote the Waverley books the internet has exploded giving much more access to research material than could ever be imagined in 1983 when I wrote my first Waverley book. For this reason I intend to write a series of articles called "Waverley's Forgotten" which will update the information I previously gathered and inform newcomers to the district of aspects of Waverley's past. Laraine Sole

The Forgotten - An Interesting Life – Ann Elmslie

Much of this information comes from Andrew Honeyfield's book "The Elmslies of Waverley and is reproduced with his permission.

Ann Elmslie (nee McGregor) was born at Dornach in the highlands of Scotland on January 1st 1850, the eldest child of Alexander and Isabella McGregor. The family emigrated from Gravesend to New Zealand on the Castle Eden, the fifth ship organised by the Canterbury Association's to bring settlers to its new settlement. From Lyttleton, Alexander chartered a small ship to Wanganui. The trip took three weeks, as the ship had to twice shelter at Kapiti Island and then wait almost a week outside the bar at Castlecliff before being able to cross.

The family lived in the small settlement while Alexander was engaged in surveying the road from Whanganui to Whangaehu, but seeing little chance of following his profession as an architect and stonemason he bought a farm and forest land in the Matarawa Valley where he established a sawmill. He gave land for the local school where Ann received her primary education.

During hostilities with the Hau Hau, the family was ordered into town on three occasions. The last time Ann was in 1864 when Ann was fourteen and she recalled walking with her father alongside the bullock wagon in which her mother and younger children rode. She thought it was quite exciting!

Ann attended Whanganui's first boarding school for young ladies on the site of the present Foster's Hotel, and one of her classmates was the daughter of Chief Kawana Pai Pai. Their friendship stimulated in Ann an interest in the Maori culture and its people, and like her father, she spoke the language. She later pursued her interest by being a member of the Polynesian Society.

After finishing her schooling the red-haired, green eyed Ann remained at home as was wont in those days, honing her home-making skills and enjoying farm life. In this time she was courted by Peter Elmslie who had likely met her when he'd accompanied his uncle, the Reverend John Elmslie, to take a church service at the McGregor home.

In May 1872, Reverend Elmslie married Ann (22) and Peter (32) at her parents' home. By this time Peter had bought out his farming partner, and given that his first whare had been burned out by Titokowaru in 1868, he set about building a small home for his future wife close to the original whare. The property was called Ferny Dell and was sited on Mangatangi Rd up past the Mill Dam where people may remember Marie and John Carrick living in more recent decades. (The original house no longer exists but the well is still there.) Logs for the new building were transported from the McGregor property at Matarawa and pit-sawn nearby, and totara shingles were used for the roof. Sandstone blocks sawn into shape formed a chimney and a load of bricks brought from Whanganui completed the job. A colonial oven consisting of a long metal box with a fire built above it provided both cooking facilities and heat. Using it in the summer months wearing long dresses must have been a trial for the women of the day.

After the wedding the pair rode to Peter's property. Ann's thirteen year old brother Malcolm followed more slowly behind in a bullock dray laden with chattels. A few months later he spent two days driving five shorthorn milking cows, the pick of her father's herd to their new home in Waverley.

Ann settled into a routine which she followed for the rest of her life. Meals were always eaten at a table covered in white linen with table napkins, and grace said before eating. The Sabbath was strictly observed with meals prepared the previous day and the only work undertaken was feeding animals. This was also the day that the couple entertained guests and some of those were Maori women who followed Ann to church and enjoyed a meal at her place aftterwards.

After Ann had been married a year, and was home alone, she was alarmed to see a group of Maori men on horseback riding up to her isolated home at dusk. Although hostilities were over, there was still some anxiety about rebels returning so she was relieved when she recognised her old friend Chief Pai Pai and discovered he was calling in, just to make sure Peter was treating her well!

Over the following years Ann was busy raising her children, the first three being born at her parents' home. The family increased and the little house was bursting at the seams. Peter commented in a letter home at this time that the couple was "doing the work of four men". Because of this hard work the couple was able to buy an adjoining farm and in 1882, a new home Hillside was built on the present Waitangi Rd, not far past where Geoff Redington now lives. (Later other farms were added to the family's acreage.)

Ann's father helped plan the two-storey home and sent up the timber for it. The home was designed on the lines of the Scottish stone houses, featuring a sloping roof with narrow eaves, small sash windows set into the wall, and unlike most of the colonial homes, had no verandahs. Upstairs there were five bedrooms. Downstairs there were two more, a large entry hall and a sitting room, and behind these were a single storey kitchen and dining room. The house was more than big enough for the couple and the large family (eventually numbering ten) as well as the occasional visitors and/or home help. Ann was forty when her last child was born and of course as her children grew they were able to help their parents around the farm and the home.

It is hard to imagine how busy Ann was as a rural housewife. In addition to growing vegetables and fruit, she kept fowls, geese and turkeys, using their feathers to stuff homemade pillows and mattresses. There was also a smoke house and a cool house for preserving eggs and fruit, and nineteen hives for honey. She milked cows for the house, and made butter in the dairy. She was an astute business women and regularly took cream, poultry, eggs, honey bacon, cured ham, sucking pigs and other goods to market in Whanganui along with leaving at night with a family member to drive over the rough 30 miles of road to arrive by 6:30 in the morning to set up ready for sales.. She promoted education



Four generations of Elmslies.
At far right is Mrs Isabella McGregor with her daughter Ann Elmslie in the middle (top) and Ann's daughter Isabella McDonald on the left.
The children are Isabella McDonald's sons Peter, Hugh and James. Photo: Elmslie family archives

in the home and passed on her domestic skills to her daughters and yet still found time to enjoy social activities in town and take a keen interest in her children (and following generations) and their activities. Her family especially recalled many wonderful days at the Waverley beach where they spent their summers.

Ann died at the age of 95, giving truth to the adage that hard work never hurt anyone. In addition to the death of her first son, Ann lost two more in World War I as well as a son-in-law which must have been heartbreaking for her.

In 1893 she signed the Suffrage petition and she was a committed member of her church as well as being instrumental in procuring the services of Dr Harvey (she had no time for the one in Patea after the death of her seven month son) and the establishment of Abbotsford Maternity Home.

History famously reports on the endeavours of men but we must never forget that behind them were the Ann Elmslies of the world who contributed so much to the development of our country.

The grand old homestead succumbed to fire in 1965 and was not rebuilt.



Hillside in the 1950's looking towards Waverley. The pohutukawa tree left marked the entrance to the home. There is a derelict landau parked behind the shed at the left and the low-roofed shed where cream was separated. At right are the orchard, smoke house, cow byre, pig shed and vegetable garden. Nothing now remains of the buildings. Photo: "The Elmslies of Waverley" by Andrew Honeyfield

Patea Beach, Stories from the Early Days

From Patea Historical Society

The Patea Beach has seen many changes over the years. It was a military settlement & trading post in the 1860s. Then a busy exporting Port at the turn of the century. The first metalled road for vehicles down to the beach was laid in 1928 (tarseal came decades later), before that it had been a narrow track that changed as the sand drifted. Doug Roots, Lewis Adams, Fred Locker, James Fairweather, Mayor Finlayson, Mr TJC Scott were instrumental in its construction. In the summer of 1930 the Patea Seaside Improvement Society was formed, for the double purpose of maintenance & safety. The duties were separated with the amicable formation of the Patea Surf & Swimming Club soon after. The Society organised beach carnivals, picnics & boating regattas of various kinds, as fundraisers to finance improvements in the Beach Settlement. In 1938 a tea Kiosk was built with changing rooms on each side, & 1939 saw the completion of the Centennial Memorial (to commemorate the Treaty of Waitangi) (Salt water) Baths. The year it was opened - 1940 also saw a huge storm, with erosion & damage in the area near the Baths. With WWII in full swing, the repairs done were minimal, but the sand was cleared away, the roof rebuilt on the kiosk & beach fun continued. Bill Verney remembers two caves in the huge clay bank behind the Kiosk, it had table and chairs in it, so people could sit and eat in the shade on a hot day. The two caves were joined by an opening dug through the clay, so you could walk between the two. They were eventually covered over by sand, and no cave can now be seen, it is just a huge sandhill. A Queen Carnival was held in 1946 and £1350 was raised by the Patea Seaside Improvement Society. For any event like this a 'slippery pole' was suspended across the pool for the children to play on all day. By the mid 1950's the Patea Borough Council had taken over responsibility of the Beach Settlement, & the Patea Seaside Improvement Society went into recess. There were many memorable events held at the beach from this time: Speedboat regattas, raft races from the rail bridge to the beach, bonfire nights where all the drift wood was piled up and people came from far and wide to sit round the fire as the sun set. The Baths were deemed unsafe & unhygienic by the Health Department in 1968 & were closed, & eventually demolished in 1973. The 'Town Baths' had been built on Stafford Street in 1958.



One of the many beach carnivals at Patea Beach this photo would be from the late 1940's.



The first Patea Surf Club formed in the early 1930s Left to Right: Ben Currie, D Grant, P Bourke, R (Bob) Adams, Alic Gillon, G Fraser, B Edwards, R James.
This photo is from Ashleigh Gillon, the son of Alic Gillon (Alic was married to Bob Adam's sister Lila). Alic was killed in WWII.
Fred Verney formed one of the very first woman's surf teams in Patea due to the fact most of the men were overseas fighting for our freedom.
The names Ashleigh remembers from this squad are Betty Mills (later Mrs Kasper whose husband Jack had an epileptic fit while fishing on the southern wall at the river mouth and drowned)

Betty Turner, Helen Hamerton, cannot think of the other at least three names. From Ashleigh Gillon in 2015.



Patea Women's Surf Life Saving Team 1938, Miss Anderson, Helen Somerville, Bai Illingworth, Jean Quickenden, Bub Willis, Nola Freeman

Other articles in the Waverley's Forgotten Series:

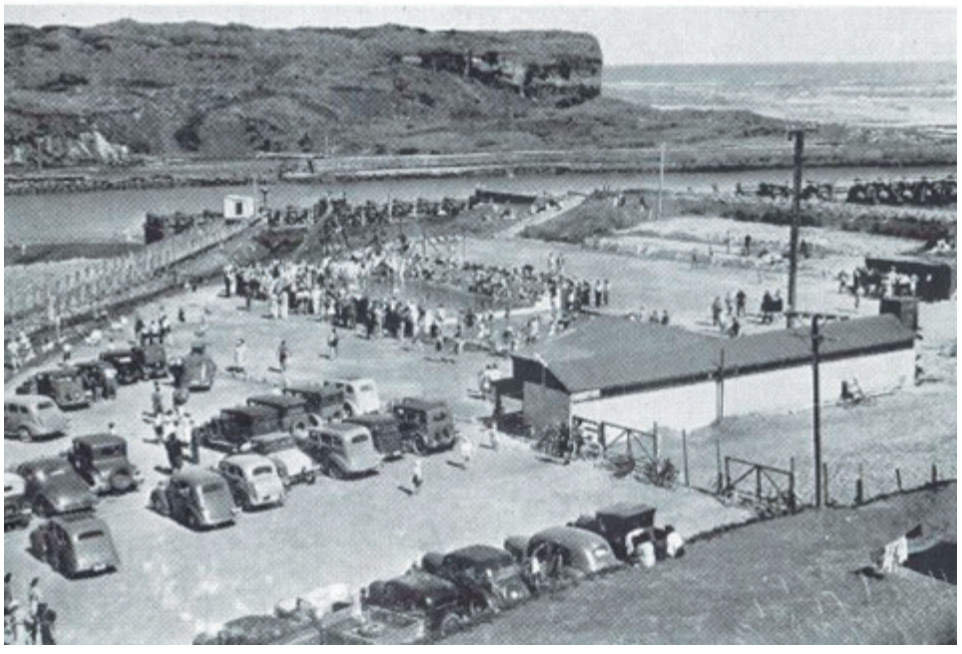
May 2023 Dickie's Flour Mill
June 2023 Two Messages in a Bottle
July 2023 Early Maori Carvings
August 2023 Herewini Whakarua and Iwiora Tamaiparea
September 2023 Waverley's Flax Millers
October 2023 NZ Cup Winner Halberdier
November 2023 The Wairoa Rifles and The Wairoa Redoubt
December 2023 The Nukumaru Hotel (Handley's Hotel)
January 2024 Rewi Alley

Patea Beach, Stories from the Early Days cont.

From Patea Historical Society



Children swimming in the Patea saltwater Baths at the Beach. These were drained once a week & refilled from the sea, through a big pipe. There was a large wooden plug in the bottom of pool. Photo from Noeline Kerrisk The large river stones around the edge were eventually replaced with a concrete wall. The pool would be in use from the end of the August School Holidays till the May School holidays...without any type of heating!
The paper car driven by Mr Gordon Greig, the postie, would take the kids from the beach settlement up to School each morning. It was a utility truck with a canvas canopy, where they all sat on benches around the edge



Opening of the Centennial Memorial Baths in 1939.

I remember these bathes and to the right of this photo there was a flat area and clay cliffs, in the cliff were two caves with seats in them and we would sit in them out of the sun to have a picnic lunch. But alas the sand took that a bit before it took half the homes near the lookout in the mid 1950's storm. On the left you can see the pumphouse sitting on the wooden breakwater (this was later shifted further to the right). Us boys used to dive in the sea off the end of this at full tide and swim with the waves and climb back up the wall, for if you came back to the corner you could get caught in the back wash and swept out or climb further along the breakwater if you could swim to it. I remember pulling one boy on to the breakwater, but it didn't deter us. When we were older we use to go down to the bathes to help Hugh Cameron-Lee clean out the sand etc from the bathes when they were emptied every week, it was a good way to payback for all the work Hugh did to provide us with a facility and a great place to spend our youth. **Bill Verney.**

Patea Beach 'home owners' Key

1. Monty Boagey/Bolstad
2. Louis & Isobel Budd
3. Weidenbolm/ Ralph & Iris Marsh/Skip & Ina Gallagher/Brian & Janine Broughton
4. Mills
5. Vose/Collett
6. Vern Jones (electrician)/Molly Waitokia (nee Nuku-Tarawhiti)
7. James and Charlotte (Lalie) Haworth/ Tom & Sis Reardon/ Peter Van Megars/ Tu Flavell/John & Shirley Matthews/ John & Sue Atkin/
8. Boat Shed/Carlyle Repertory Playhouse/
9. Weherua/Bill Stewart/ Robert Northcott & Faye MacKay
10. Darcy & Pam Gilmore-Featonby/ Betty Anderson
11. Hillary & Edna Peacocke/Jack & Lillian Hunter/Bill Mischefski/Weherua
12. George Waterland/ Tommy & Mahia Stephens/Bill Turner/ Boat Club Rooms
13. Myrtle Griffiths/ Andrew Kahu
14. Hugh & Noreen Cameron-Lee/ Doug Jones/ Billy Tipene/ Patterson/Lennox Love
15. Monica Harris/ Ron & Ann Roach/ Carol Kerrigan/ Harvey & Ev Gibbs
16. Alan & Jean Scobie/ Piri Te Kamo & Te Hukinga Nuku-Tarawhiti
17. Unsure?
18. Beach Store-Mrs Lil Hunter/Doug & Eileen Ansley
19. Reverand Ray & Jean Patchett/ Bob & Mikee Adams
20. Lewis & Rose Adams
21. Bert & Edith Boagey (nee Adams)/Rangi & Edith Abraham
22. Pilcher/ Leet/ John & Sherie Crisp/ Ken Bentley/ Snow Parkinson
23. Bob Craig/ Bill & Jess Law/ Linda Murphy
24. Cooper/Ian & Edith Carlyle/ Des Partridge/ Scruff & Christine Anderson
25. Huia Pulley-Reid, rented by Vince & Ruby Froome
26. Faulkner/Vince & Ruby Froome/ Norm & Ethel Railton
27. Fred Leach
28. Jack & Kathleen Bourke-rented by Howard & Moana Herbert/Bookers?
29. Centennial Swimming Pool built 1940, commemoration of Treaty of Waitangi
30. Changing rooms and Kiosk for Pool



Patea Beach, Stories from the Early Days cont.

From Patea Historical Society

Patea Beach Memories from Noeline Kerrisk

Noeline Kerrisk nee Griffiths, lived at the beach with her Mum, two sisters & a brother in the late 1930's into the 1940's and helped with names of people that lived at lived here at this time, as did Moira Cameron-Lee. A big storm in 1955 covered a lot of houses with sand. The home that Howard and Moana Herbert lived in, near what is now Bourke's Look out, was buried in a sand drift. Part of this house was left behind under the sand, but the main part of the house was moved up to town (it has since burnt down) Contrary to popular belief, the homes that were partially buried, were dug out again, and 2 or 3 of them were moved up into the township, away from the moving sand. Huia Pully-Reid's home was moved to the corner of Kent and Essex Street, Clive Robinson extended and restored it and ran it as a Dairy, from 1961-1968 (perfect position opposite the High School). The first section of road heading down the hill to the first corner was moved about 10m to the left after the storm had moved tons of sand on to this hill. The Budd's home at the top of the incline, was burnt down in the 1940's, one of their children died in the fire. And Monty Boagy's home, first on the left going down the hill, is long gone. The road beyond where the boat ramp is now looped round behind the Griffiths home, so there was always two ways to get into the beach if one way was covered with sand. Hugh Campbell was always digging out sand drifts to keep the road open. He was a contractor, and the beach was his domain to keep clear of sand buildup.

Noeline remembers Mr & Mrs Vose had a lovely garden down on the corner of Turi St. The large old Boat Club building was alongside Turi St, towards the end. It housed canoes, skiffs, & other rowing equipment for the young people to use on the river back then. This building was later used by the Patea Players, for their theatrical productions (they also used the Mineral Factory on Victoria St for rehearsal's). The road continued toward the river & looped round again down near the Baths, drivers always kept left, & this loop was one way traffic. Monica Harris's old house was pulled down when she left, & Ron Roach moved the 'single men's quarters' from the Kakaramea Dairy factory on in the late 1970's, & with the help of his son, Lewis turned it into a family home. Lewis told me how his father rang his teacher at Patea High School & told them he would be away from School for a week. Being the local Cop, he could do this without issue! When Alan & Jean Scobie's house was pulled down, it was found to have a 'lockup cell door' in the centre of it. It is thought that it was from the times of the first military settlement on the beach in 1860s. Brett Lowe is the Grandson of Mr Marsh the milkman. He told me that Ralph Marsh moved to NZ from England in 1947 and was followed by Brett's Uncle (Barrie) and Grandmother (Iris) the next year. His mother (Catherine) was born in Patea in 1949. They moved away in 1955 or 56 to live in Lysaght's Homestead in Mokoia.

The mail was delivered by the Postman on a bicycle. Pop Gunn was mailman in the late 1940's, then Michael Kerrisk, then Neville Telfer. Hugh Cameron-Lee was the first person to run the Camp Ground, then Doug Jones, then ?, then Ken Bentley, now Heni & Glenys Van Dedenter.

Tom and Sis Reardon lived in the house at the end of Turi Street on the left by the boat ramp, with Jim Haworth when he was widowed. Jim & Lalie Haworth were part owners of the large two storey 'Haworth & Harris' Store at the top of Bedford Street. Bourkes Lookout was formed in the early 1970's, named after Kevin Bourke, he was on the Patea Council and his parents had a bach below it.

Mrs Hunter had a small shop that opened most days in the summer months on the grass area at the end of the loop road, later run by Doug and Eileen Ansley. Fred Leach, or Skinny as he was known, would always be waiting at the top of the hill on a Friday & Saturday night, to meet the bus coming back from dances, & walk back with the young people to make sure they got home ok. It was a caring community, where everyone looked out for each other. The saltwater Swimming Pools were a popular spot all summer long at the Beach.



Huia Pulley-Reid's home from the beach, when it was owned by Clive and Joan Robinson and run as a Dairy on the corner of Kent and Essex Street.



This is the Tea Kiosk that was built in 1938. It was partially destroyed by sand drift in a storm in 1940. Rebuilt with a flat roof and other minor changes soon after.
Thank you Bob Pettigrew for this photo & info.



Griffith family outside their home at the beach, Noeline, Joy, Mertle, Ann, Allan.
Photo from Noeline Kerrisk



The Adams family had 3 Baches next to each other at the beach, many happy summers spent there by this hardworking, large Patea family. Edna Jackson, Lila Gillon, Lewis Adams sitting on the varandah. Lewis's dad; RA Adams was the 3rd mayor of Patea in 1883. His wife; Tasmania was 52 years old when her husband RA Adams died in 1904. She went to live with her daughter Edith and Bert Boagy in their house at the Beach (#21), but Tasmania didn't like living there, so returned to 'Bryn Avon', her home on Cambridge Street, where she lived until she died 45 years later
Photo from Jim & Jill Jackson

Patea Beach, Stories from the Early Days cont.

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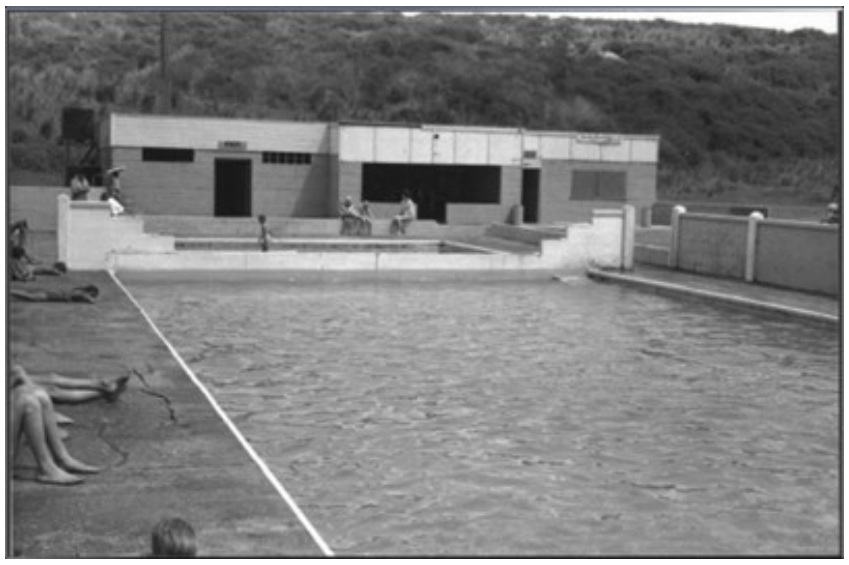

Left:The original 1938 Tea Kiosk was partially destroyed by a sand drift in a huge storm in 1940. This is the rebuilt version with a flat roof, with changing rooms on each side & a large open alcove/ shelter area in the middle. Photo from Noeline Kerrisk

Below Left: Photo taken by Harry Baker of Carlyle Studios, Patea, after the 1955 storm. This storm lasted a few days, & during that time tons of sand drifted & covered anything that was in its path.





The Beach Baths had a large slide near it for a time in the late 1940s, it appears it goes into the sand on the outside of the pool walls, not into the pool. There is also a smaller slide beside it. Thanks Pat Maynell for this photo.



Patea Surf Life Saving team by the wreak of the Waitangi on Patea Beach in the early 1940's.Thank you Bob Pettigrew for this photo



Patea Rowing Club 1948 or 49, far right Trevor Willis, then Brian Hunter. Dave Willis middle in dark blazer. They competed around the province. Their skiff can be seen poking out of the truck behind them. Thank you Hazel Morey (nee Bates) for this photo. Brian Hunter was Hazel's husband.



Mana Bay back when it was a lovely sandy beach. There were steps every now & then down the slope to the sand, & seats in front of the river stone edge of the carpark. This was all maintained by the Patea Seaside Improvement Society.



Hugh & Noreen Cameron-Lee.

The Cameron-Lee family home with its established, colourful garden. To the right of the steps is a mass of bright pink ice-plant. The room with the two large shutters was called the 'breakfast room'. In the summer the shutters were open wide all day, to let the sunlight & sea air in. Moira & her sister Noreen, had kitten's called Whisky & Soda...named after the frosted glass words in the windows at the Albion Hotel. Hugh built a garage to the right with home made concrete blocks - made on the spot. Thank you Moira Morgan (nee Cameron-Lee) for this photo.



Patea Beach, Stories from the Early Days cont.

From Patea Historical Society

PATEA BEACH Memories from Moira Cameron-Lee

Hugh & Noreen Cameron-Lee lived at the beach settlement, in the house next to Mrs Griffiths, on the corner of the old loop road. In his earlier years Hugh had worked for Mr Hillary Peacock, in his large, busy construction business. Hugh & Noreen's daughter Moira told me a few stories from the golden years of her childhood living on the beach... "Mum ran the beach kiosk around the time the Tip Top ' Iceblock on a Stick', the TT2, came out. These were top sellers with the kids on hot summer's days beside the pool. Dad and I would go up to Patea Mineral Waters to buy the crates of soft drinks. In the factory on a wooden table was a large slab of glue, about 10x8 inches and 3 inches high, on which the labels were rubbed before being slid onto the bottles – all by hand. This slab grew higher over the years as more fresh glue was added for the next batch of labels. I was quite fascinated by that slab".

My Dad, Hugh was the beach caretaker for years and even though he suffered from Parkinson's Disease it never stopped him from putting everything into the job. He always filled the baths on the incoming tide only, and if this meant being at the pump-house in the early hours of the morning that's where he was. The pump-house was situated on the old wharf that ran alongside the river and into Mana Bay. He had to climb up the old pilings to get to it and they were wet and slippery. Mum was never sure that he wouldn't take ill and not come home again so it was quite nerve-wracking for her.

Working bees were held on various Sunday mornings. Dad would empty the baths leaving just a little water in the bottom and some of us would get in there and scrub the green off the walls and then sweep all the sand from the bottom down into the outlet pipe once the plug was pulled again. Others would be hard at work cleaning the dressing sheds and pavilion, and more would be picking up the rubbish around the baths and carpark.

Mum would be home baking what we called Butterscotch Muffins, more a scone type Chelsea bun, and bring a large roasting dish of these, hot buttered, down to the pavilion by the pool, with flasks of tea, for the workers. These went down very well!

During the summer school classes would come from town by bus to swim in the beach baths which were far warmer than the old school baths, (Why were school baths so cold those days) The Beach pools were opened at the end of the August School holidays, right through till the end of May. When the bus went back to Patea Public School with all the town children after their swim in the Beach Pool, Moira & the other children who lived at the beach were always aloud to stay behind & head home...or stay in the pool for another hour or so!

When the Beach Camp opened Hugh and Noreen ran it for some years, meeting people from all over the world. Noreen ran a visitors' book and it was so interesting to see where campers came from, to a small town like Patea. Doug Jones took over as caretaker when Hugh had to give it up due to bad health. Doug later bought Hugh's house.

At one stage Hugh also used to take the mail from the Post Office down to the Railway Station 4 times a day and collect the incoming mail from the trains. This was at 6am, 10am, 2pm, and 6pm. I often accompanied him and would put either a penny, or two crossed nails, on the line. After the steam train had run over them the penny would be big and flat and the nails welded together like a pair of scissors! Moira & her sister Noreen, had kitten's called Whisky & Soda...named after the frosted glass words in the windows at the Albion Hotel.

Moria still has the penny that was nailed to Hugh Cameron-Lee's workshop door for many years. Moira gave it to her Dad when she got her first weeks pay from her first job at Joe Lairds Electrical Shop on Egmont St - £4, 7 shillings & 1 penny. Doug Jones gave it back to her a few years after he bought the Cameron-Lee family home at the beach

A local identity who died recently in Auckland at the age of 90, was Hughie Campbell. He was a shingle contractor at the beach. He drove a (to us) huge GMC truck, and a front-end loader with bulldozer tracks, which he used to load up shingle from the 'sea-beach'. Moira remembers if the beach kids were walking home from school 'Hughie would pick us up and take us home'.

Moira Morgan – nee Cameron-Lee

SUCKED INTO OUTLET PIPE

LITTLE GIRL AT PATEA BATHS

(P.A.) NEW PLYMOUTH, Jan. 4.

Jeanette Scobie, aged eight, a daughter of Mr and Mrs Scobie, Patea, was sucked into the outlet pipe of the baths at the Patea beach while they were being emptied on Sunday afternoon.

A number of children were playing in the water when the accident occurred and Jeanette vanished into the 12-inch pipe.

Persons who saw the incident rushed to the end of the pipe expecting the child to be washed through, but when she did not appear they hurried back to the baths, and the child was pulled out by Mrs Corvey Newton. She was unconscious.

Artificial respiration was applied promptly by Mr R. A. Adams, and the child recovered, and was taken to her home. She suffered a grazed back and knees.

Above:
Jeanette Scobie incident at Beach Pools 5 Jan 1950
Ashburton Guardian.

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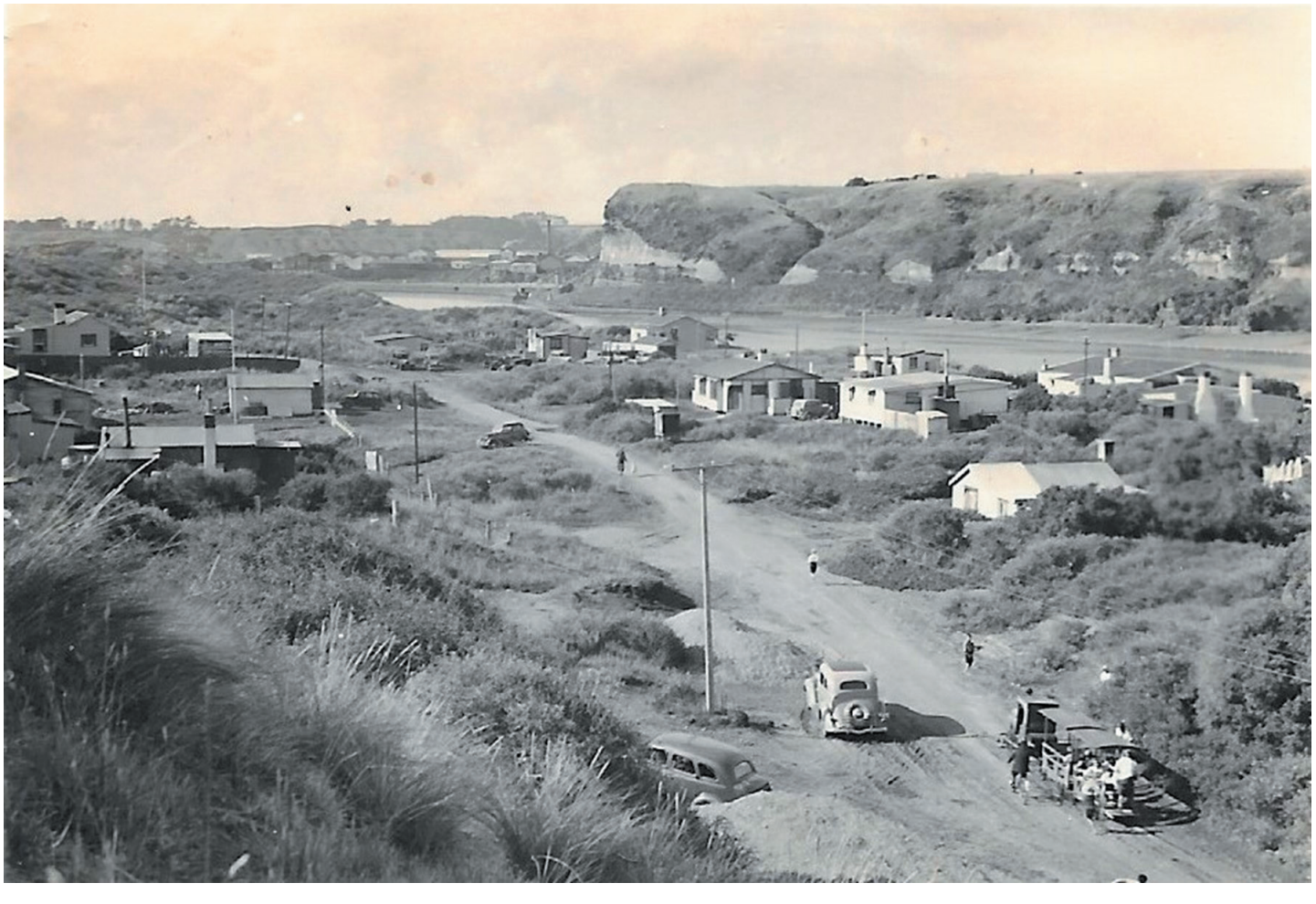
Below: Patea Beach Settlement in the late 1930's. The Freezing Works can be seen in the distance.
Thank you Graeme Phillips for this great photo



Te Mahana Rest Home In Patea

Residents of Te Mahana Rest Home have had a very eventful Christmas and New Year, with decorating, parties, entertainment, family and friends visiting.

A number of Residents have enjoyed going out with family for the day, and some even going off for short holidays.





The good summer weather has enabled more drives, outings, walks and enjoying the outdoors.



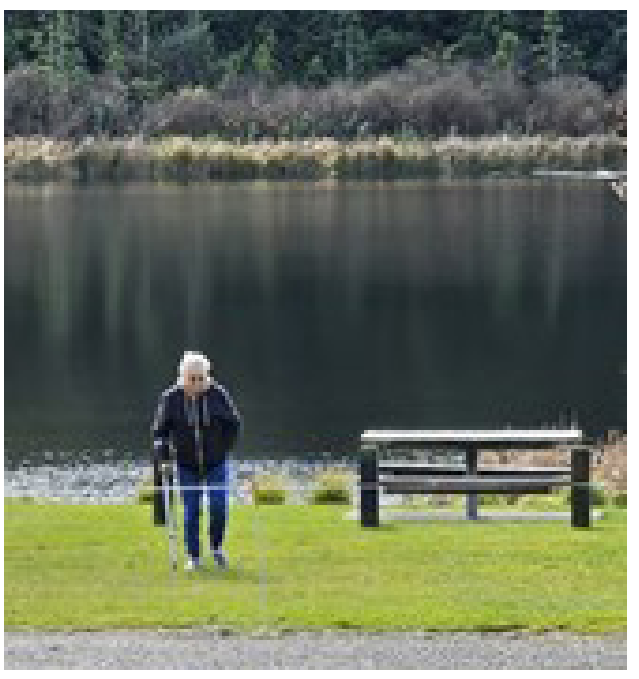




With those extra HOT and HUMID days we stayed indoors, being extremely grateful to Patea's Te Mahana Trust for installing 'Air Con' in our activities lounge and dining area (of which the Kitchen benefits also) – much more pleasant living and working environment – Many Many Thanks!!!!

Craft and Games were the name for those sort of days – like making Bird Feeders, and Baking, and lets play Bingo











Enjoy a lazy summer day in the shade with the February Puzzle Page!

Quick crossword

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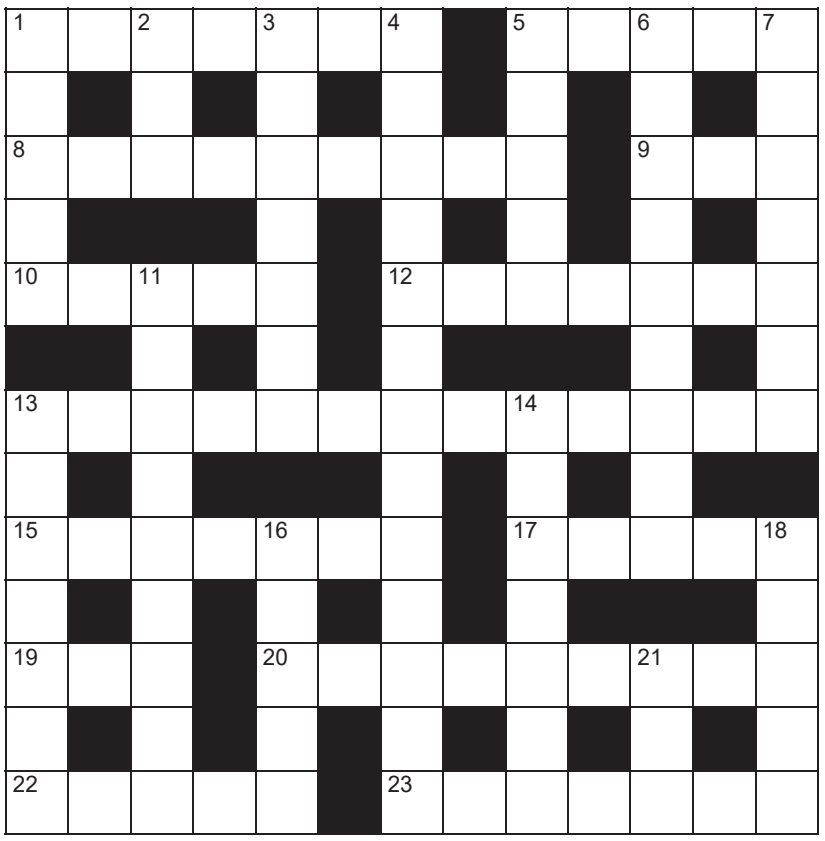

Across

1. News from informants (3-4)
5. Ornamental headband (5)
8. Criminal (9)
9. Play on words (3)
10. Perch (5)
12. Freedom (7)
13. Outdated (13)
15. Owing (7)
17. Expenses (5)
19. Charabanc (3)
20. Day named after a Norse god (9)
22. Florid (5)
23. Hard-wearing (7)

Down

1. Tall building (5)
2. For (3)
3. Combatant (7)
4. Puffed-up, mentally (7-6)
5. Pulsate (5)
6. Equipment (9)
7. Irritated (7)
11. Persecuted (9)
13. Drool (7)
14. Not obvious (7)
16. Marriage payment (5)
18. Flair (5)
21. Wipe (3)

Crossword solution

Across: 1. Tip-offs, 5. Tiara, 8. Wrongdoer, 9. Pun, 10. Roost, 12. Liberty, 13. Superannuated, 15. Overdue, 17. Costs, 19. Bus, 20. Wednesday, 22. Ruddy, 23. Durable.
Down: 1. Tower, 2. Pro, 3. Fighter, 4. Swollen-headed, 5. Throb, 6. Apparatus, 7. Annoyed, 11. Oppressed, 13. Slobber, 14. Unclear, 16. Dowry, 18. Style, 21. Dab.

Code-Cracker

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W	M	S	P	T	H	E	X	A	L	G	O	Y

14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
J	C	V	R	I	N	Z	U	F	Q	D	B	K

SIMON SHUKER'S CODE-CRACKER Extra

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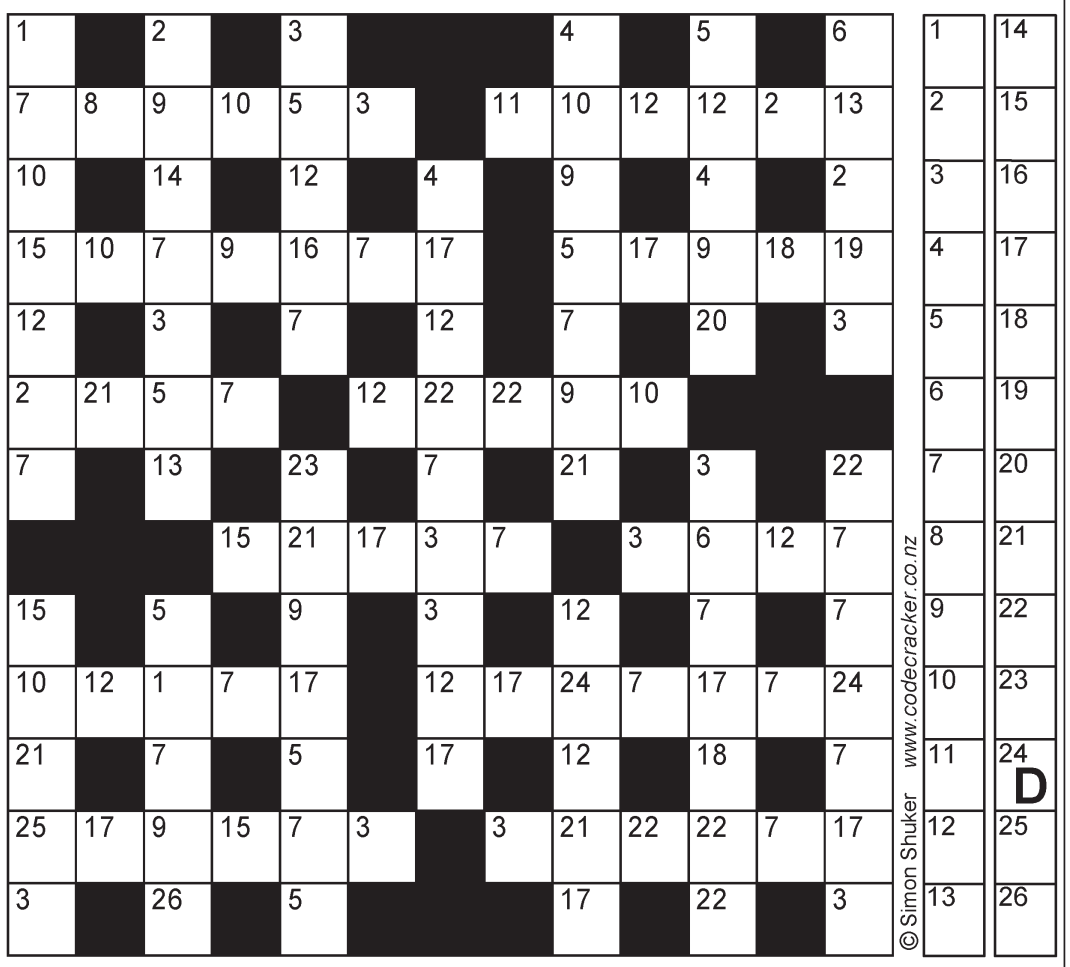

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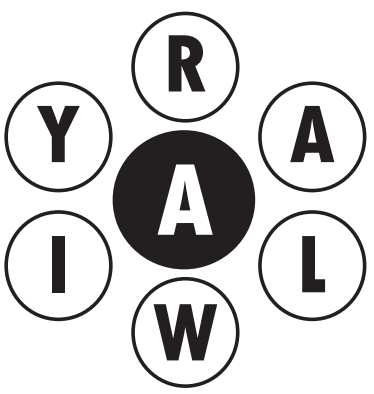
Circle of Words

How many words of four letters or more can you make? There is at least one seven-letter word. Each letter may be used only once and all words must contain the centre letter. No words starting with a capital, no plurals ending in s unless the word is also a verb.

Good 6 **Very Good** 8 **Excellent** 11+



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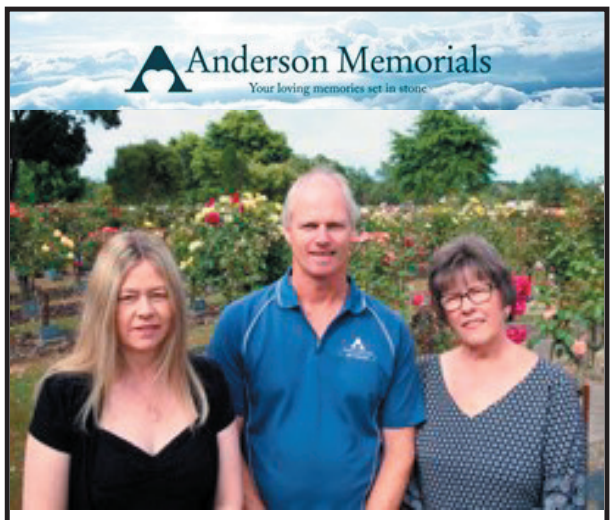

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Rainfall for Dec 2023 - 73.5ml in 11 days
Rainfall for Dec 2022 - 128.0ml
Average for Dec - 113.0ml over 53 years
TOTAL for 2023 - 1264.0ml

WAITOTARA
Rainfall recorded by Marie Hawken, Waitotara
Rainfall Dec 2023 - 61.75ml in 12 days
Rainfall Dec 2022 - 118.75ml in 13 days
TOTAL for 2023 - 1249.75ml

WAVERLEY
Rainfall recorded by Stu Buckman, Waverley
Rainfall Dec 2023 - 61.5ml in 10 days
Rainfall Dec 2022 - 150.0ml in 12 days
Rainfall Dec 2021 - 249.5ml in 17 days
TOTAL for 2023 - 1286.5ml in 149 days

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FRI	02 FEB	03:36	2.0m	15:58	2.0m
SAT	03 FEB	04:23	1.9m	16:50	1.9m
SUN	04 FEB	05:22	1.8m	17:52	1.8m
MON	05 FEB	06:34	1.8m	19:03	1.8m
TUE	06 FEB	07:52	1.9m	20:16	1.9m
WED	07 FEB	09:00	2.0m	21:23	2.0m
THU	08 FEB	09:57	2.2m	22:20	2.2m
FRI	09 FEB	10:46	2.4m	23:11	2.3m
SAT	10 FEB	11:33	2.5m	23:59	2.5m
SUN	11 FEB	12:18	2.6m		
MON	12 FEB	00:45	2.5m	13:03	2.6m
TUE	13 FEB	01:30	2.5m	13:48	2.6m
WED	14 FEB	02:15	2.4m	14:34	2.5m
THU	15 FEB	03:02	2.3m	15:23	2.3m
FRI	16 FEB	03:51	2.2m	16:15	2.1m
SAT	17 FEB	04:48	2.0m	17:15	1.9m
SUN	18 FEB	05:57	1.9m	18:26	1.8m
MON	19 FEB	07:21	1.8m	19:46	1.8m
TUE	20 FEB	08:39	1.9m	20:59	1.8m
WED	21 FEB	09:37	2.0m	21:55	1.9m
THU	22 FEB	10:21	2.1m	22:38	2.0m
FRI	23 FEB	10:58	2.2m	23:15	2.1m
SAT	24 FEB	11:31	2.3m	23:48	2.2m
SUN	25 FEB	12:02	2.3m		
MON	26 FEB	00:18	2.2m	12:31	2.3m
TUE	27 FEB	00:48	2.3m	13:01	2.3m
WED	28 FEB	01:17	2.2m	13:30	2.3m
THU	29 FEB	01:47	2.2m	14:01	2.2m

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For Sale $475,000

set on close to two acres this rustic farm house has amazing views over the rural community and out to the sea. The home is perfect for growing families with 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 3 living areas inc a huge mezzanine floor which has the best views in the house. The land is a blank canvas so get back to the basics of living off the land.

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CORNER COTTAGE ON CORNWALL

18 Cornwall Street, Patea

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For Sale $249,000

This cute cottage has more space than you can poke a stick at with a large living space, undercover outdoor area for entertaining and an outdoor hobby room plus large single garage and workspace. The two bedrooms are double sized with wardrobes. Open plan kitchen and dining with a slider to the outdoor area. The section is large and well fenced.

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SOLID AS A BRICK!!!

7 Essex Street, Patea

2 1 1

For Sale $325,000

Brick clad & tile roof, a perfect starter, downsize or investment property with fresh internal paint & more space than you think. 2 dble sized bdrms, master having a walk in robe & lazy onsuite to the upgraded bathroom. The separate living room has a cosy log burner while open plan kitchen, dining, sunroom has gas heating & new appliances.

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RENOVATORS DREAM

13 Suffolk Street, Patea

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For Sale $249,000

This old 142m² homestead sits on a 1012m2 corner section facing north. A large living room, three generous sized bedrooms, a separate kitchen and the big wide hallway, high ceilings and a sun porch - the potential is all there if you have the vision. There are various out sheds and a single garage with storage. Set close to schools, shops and beach.

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LOVELY RIVER VIEWS

3 Leicester Street, Patea

For Sale $140,000

This freehold 759m2 (approx.) section, tucked away at the bottom of Leicester Street in a sheltered north facing position. Water connected and potential to investigate the power connection. There is a concrete pad where a shed once stood, and it is fenced on 3 sides. This would make a wonderful build site or look into your options of relocating or tiny home.

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SPACIOUS FAMILY HOME

6 Lincoln Street, Patea

4 1 1 1

For Sale $317,000

This home has so much to offer a growing family and has room to make your mark on it. Inside there are four double sized bedrooms with wardrobes, a large kitchen and dining room that has so much potential for more with indoor outdoor flow through the ranch slider to outside. A separate living room is off the kitchen. Call Today!

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Pātea Community Board Meeting

Notes from the meeting on Tuesday 23 January 2024 at 4pm, provided by the Board Members. The first meeting for 2024 was held at the Ngāmatapōuri Hall, 4323 Waitōtara Valley, Ngāmatapōuri.

Present were: Pātea Community Board members; Jacq, Cheryl, Bronwyn, Owen, Robert Northcott (Deputy Mayor), Phi Nixon (Mayor)
Eileen Kolai-Tuala (Community Development Officer), Samantha Greenhill (PA), Herbert Denton (Group Manager – Infrastructure Services)
4 members of the public. The meeting opened with a karakia.

Open forum:

-Bruce Clifton from Waiinu Beach spoke to us about his concern about the safety of the new T intersection that turns into Waiinu Beach Road. There is no 'slip bay' and the camber of the road is very steep and dangerous for towing vehicles taking the turn. The bank also needs to be cut back more. There is also a drop in the tarseal over the underpass near David Pearce's Woodshed near Silver Fern Farms. Herbert is following up on this.

-Carl Bates, National Party MP, gave a brief overview of plans ahead for one of the main concerns for rural communities – cell phone connection. Satellite connection is the coming in the next few years for most of these areas. Since his last meeting in Patea, the Police have advertised for a 2nd Policeman in town, which has been pending since Constable Ben left.

-David Pearce asked on the opening date of Te Ranga Nuku Road to Silver Fern Farms – hopefully by June at this stage. KiwiRail are still to finish the railway crossing, and the old Nukumara Station Road has to be properly closed.

-Juliet Larsen asked that the corner by Belton's woolshed be widened. There is a deep ditch beside the road making it dangerous to pull off the road if a truck comes. End of Open Forum.

Items for action:

-Speed cushion/humps proposed for Egmont St for traffic heading toward the beach will go out for consultation soon.

-Slumping on Beach Road has been filled and resealed, but there are a lot of loose chip that needs sweeping off.

-New bike pump track at Waverley, this will be built in Aotea Park, funding has been found by Eileen and this will begin later in the year.

-Bronwyn has asked that the Civil Defence be put back on the Items for Action. It was discussed at other meetings, Patea in particular still doesn't have a designated Civil Defence centre since the Patea Old Folks Hall was deemed unsuitable by CD Head Office. The Library has been noted as a good alternative, this needs to be confirmed. If telecommunications go down Radio Communication in Patea, Waverley and Waitotara are still none existent via the Council, although there are several members of the public that are Radio Hams, and country folk are very self sufficient in an emergency, as has been shown in the past.

Community Development Report,

-Mayors Taskforce for jobs, 38 jobseekers on list this year.

-Waverley and Eltham State Highway designs, Waka Kotahi are expecting the new Government Policy Statement in January, this may have implications for how they deliver some of the work.

-5km Pātea Loop track project, work progressing, steps have been put from Bourke's Lookout down to the Beach and are being used already.

-Pātea Town Revitalisation Committee met with Andrea from TGM Design to in November.

-Waverley Town Revitalizing committee are holding a community meeting to gain a broader understanding of what is wanted.

-Patea Bursary funding allocated at the end of last year to 4 local students - $914 to each.

-Tiki Taane event was held in King Edward Park on Sat 20 January, very successful, weather was good.



Council staff and Community Board members after their meeting at the Ngāmatapōuri Hall. Left to right: Bronwyn Wattrus, Cheryl Rook, Eileen Kolai-Tuala, Robert Northcott, Owen Savage, Jacq Dwyer, Herbert Denton, Phil Nixon.

-Life Guards wanted for all community pools, Not enough people applied for this role and it has meant pool closures at some times.

-Patea Mural will be done just after Waitangi Day. Patea Historical Society funding it, with help from some outside funding.

-A film made right here in Taranaki -'The Mountain', directed by Rachel House of 'Hunt for the Wilderpeople', premiere's in New Plymouth on 19 March.The Mountain focuses on three children who are "on a mission to find healing under the watchful eye of Taranaki Maunga (Mountain)". "As they make their way through the difficult 'off the beaten track' route, they learn the true spirit of adventure and the magic of friendship."

Libraryplus Report,

-Crafting and book club groups going well in most Libraries.

-Summer Blast Programme has been a great success for the last 6 weeks – 38 from Patea, and a good number from Waverley. Prize giving on Wednesday 24 January.

Environmental Services Report,

-most building consents in Hawera area.

-Waste management and minimisation plan consultation completed, 777 submissions received. New bin sizes and pickup schedule adopted in December.

Facility Usage Reports,

Life Guards, there has been a shortage for many community pools.

Full minutes of this and all Council meetings can be found on the South Taranaki District Council Website, under the heading 'Our Council' then go to 'Mayor & Elected members' then 'Community Board - Pātea'.
Or view them at Pātea or Waverley Library Plus

Your Community Board Members are: Jacq Dwyer (Chair) Cheryl Rook (Deputy Chair), Owen Savage, Bronwyn Wattrus, Robert Northcott (Pātea Councillor)

Meeting dates for 2024:

- **Monday 4 March, 4pm, Hunter Shaw Building, Pātea**
- **Monday 15 April, 4pm, Kaipo Marae, Waitōtara Valley Road**
- **Monday 27 May, 4pm, Waverley Community Centre**
- **Monday 8 July, 4pm, Hunter Shaw Building, Pātea**
- **Monday 19 August, 4pm, Kakaramea Hall**
- **Monday 30 September, 4pm, Waverley Community Centre**
- **Monday 4 November, 4pm, Waitōtara Hall, 12 Kaipo Street, Waitōtara**

Carlyle Women's Institute

Carlyle Women's Institute finished the 2023 year with a pre Christmas lunch at Café Fika, gifts and Christmas wishes received. A committee meeting was held in January to discuss the program for the year, some interesting ideas were given.

We next meet in February for our AGM to present the Annual Report, Annual Financial Report and have an Election of Officers, 2023 competition results and presentation of trophies.

Watch this space.

If you are interested in joining us come and see what we are all about, first Thursday of each month, 1.30pm at Patea Old Folk Hall



JANUARY 2024

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Pātea Area School



Kelsey Roxburgh, who is our 2023 Raumano Health Trust & RSA Dux Award winner.

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WELCOME TO 2024

Kia ora,

We would like to extend the warmest of welcomes to our new and returning students in 2024. I hope everyone has had a great summer and has had a chance to enjoy the amazing weather we have been blessed with over the last couple of weeks. As this term is jam packed with sporting events we hope the good weather continues.

2024 is already shaping up to be an awesome year. Below are a few pieces of good news that we received over the break and would like to celebrate before school starts.

- NCEA Results: I would like to congratulate all of our students who participated in NCEA last year. NZQA has confirmed that we had a 100% pass rate at level 2. This is outstanding news. As well as this, we had a number of students gain Excellent and Merit endorsements along with a number of Excellent results in our end of year exams.
- Toi Foundation Grants: Pātea Area School recieved some more good news in the shape of funding grants from the Toi Foundation. We have been granted $60,000 to upgrade the school hall. This includes new seating, curtains, flooring and lighting. They have also granted us $40,000 to help resource our Kapa Haka program. We are very grateful for the continued support from the Toi Foundation.

The next few weeks will be very busy, so make sure you follow us on Facebook and sign up for the school app. If you have any questions about anything, please contact your child's classroom teacher, one of our friendly team at the office, or come in for a hui with one of the members of the Senior Leadership team.

Ngā mihi

James Davidson
Principal

New Uniform in Stock



School uniforms prices

- Tee shirts - all sizes $35.00
- Hoodies - all sizes $75.00.
- Small range of black skirts (Year 9-13) - prices vary FROM $29.00
- White blouses and boys shirts - prices vary FROM $25.00
- Black shorts - small range with prices from $15.00

2024 Stationery

Stationery can be purchased from Warehouse Stationery, using their website www.warehousestationery.co.nz. You can order and collect in store, or have delivered to your home. It would be preferred that your student has their stationery supplies ready for week 2.
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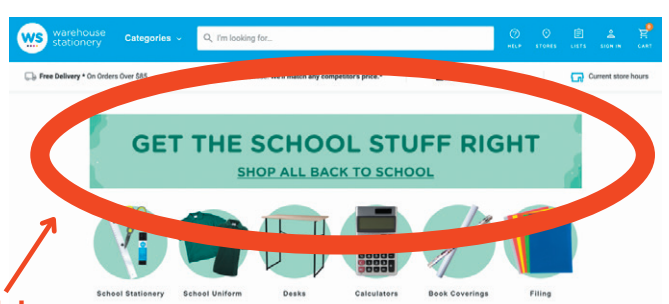

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Cell Phones



As of 2024 Pātea Area School will be asking students to keep phones at home. If students need to use them during the day to contact caregivers or mahi, we ask that they keep them in their bags and use them during break time for this purpose.

Phones can be hugely distracting in class and can be barriers to students reaching their academic goals. The use of phones in class will be strictly monitored and whānau will be contacted if students are continually caught using them.

If you have any korero on cells and their use in school please do not hesitate to contact the school to discuss this further.

BUS RUN INFORMATION TERM 1 – 2024

There have been no changes to the current bus runs for the buses that service Patea Area School, Whenuakura School and Kakaramea School.

A key message from the Ministry of Education:
"Caregivers are responsible for getting their children to school, which may involve getting the children to and from their nearest bus pick-up and drop-off location. Please either stay with your children while they are waiting for their school transport in the morning or keep in contact with them to make sure that they are picked up safely. It is recommended students and caregivers be at the bus pick-up/drop-off locations five to 10 minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive. "

If you wish to discuss any school transport related issues, please contact Bruce Johnson, Pātea Area School 06 273 8099.

No Vaping or smoking on school buses
"Using vapes or smoking on school buses is strictly forbidden. Students who vape or smoke on a school bus may be stood down either temporarily or permanently from the bus service."

Weir Brothers Transport are urgently looking for bus drivers to service our school bus runs. You will need to have a Class 2 license, but they are willing to assist with endorsements for those that have a Class 1 license. Please contact Callum on 278 5858 if you are interested.



TERM ONE DATES

Jan 29	Start of Term 1 / Powhiri
Jan 31	Teacher Only Day (all South Taranaki Kura)
Feb 6	Waitangi Day
Feb 9	Alton Touch Tournament
Feb 14	Senior Swimming Sports
20 Feb	Pool Party (Meet the Staff)
22 Feb	Swimming Sports 1-3 (Whenuakura)
28 Feb	Senior Athletics
29 Feb	Swimming Sports 4-8 (Waverley)
March 7	IDP Day
March 11	Taranaki Anniversary Day
March 29-April 2	Easter Weekend
9 April	Cluster Athletics
April 12	End of Term

Pātea Area School

Kakaramea School
06 273 8695

We welcome all new and returning pupils to the 2024 school year.

The school office will be open for enquiries, enrolments and visits on
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Shannon O'Brien
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Wow! only about a month to go before the 2024 Egmont AMP Show is on. How exciting! this years theme is Number 8 wire, this could be taken figuratively or literally!

This year's show has something for everyone. Not only are we bringing the country to town with Alpaca, Pig and Miniature Horse showing, but our free entertainment includes Franklin Farms Freestyle Moto X performing again on Saturday, these daredevils will be supported by a selection of local Moto X riders showcasing their talent, holding their own competitions.

Billy Black will be here on Saturday and Sunday to entertain and educate with his Kiwi Culture Show. Taranaki Young Farmers are holding Farm Olympics events, including Reel & Standard timed challenge and a water trough challenge for youth in the oval, along with wood chopping displays by Taranaki Axemen's Association and Tug-O-War competitions. Taranaki Rugby will also be at the Show on Saturday, so it's a great opportunity to meet our local NPC Rugby heroes!

Under the grandstand local artisans and crafters are holding workshops that will interest and educate, bookings for these workshops are essential and can be made by contacting the tutor. There will also be some free educative chats and demonstrations at various times over the weekend. Local singing and musical talents are being showcased in the Expo Hall theatre, all throughout the weekend.

With the support of Tu Manawa, we are able to provide lots of free, fun Childrens entertainment all weekend long, including Bumper Balls, Mini Golf, Inflatable activities and for a small fee the Neighbourhood Support Train will be travelling around the grounds.

Again, this year, we have a great selection of Food Trucks with so many different cuisines to tempt even the fussiest of eaters! Our Show Parade kicks off at 6pm on Saturday night, so why not make the most of FREE entry into the show from 5pm, watch the parade and enjoy your dinner in the Showgrounds? Mahon Entertainments are remaining open until 8pm on Saturday night.

Along with all the excitement on offer, there will be a great display of Farmall tractors on site to help



celebrate their 100 years. This is alongside the vintage machinery display. Our Small Animal tent will feature lots of animals for all to interact with and enjoy cuddling! In the Edna Wills Hall the Leisure, Pleasure, Treasure section will display entries in many different show competition categories, it's still not too late to get your entry sorted and entered, especially our annual Scarecrow competition.

On Sunday, Highway 45 Cruisers are parking up, so there will be lots of unique and unusual vehicles for people to enjoy. So, if you're looking for something to do on 24 & 25 February, come down to the Egmont A&P Show, Burnside Avenue, Hawera.



For further information regarding the Show, Parade, Workshops or becoming a member of the Association, please contact the Showgrounds Office 06 2788613, info@egmontshowgrounds.org.nz

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Sports News & Results

Coastal Adult Riding Club Report

The Coastal Adult Riding Club was very grateful to receive a substantial grant from the Toi Foundation, to enable the club to host the North Island Teams' Event (known as N.I.T.E.), a competition, which is run annually for adult riders from areas all over the North Island. This year, there were eight teams, with horses and riders coming from Kapiti, Ruapehu, and North Taranaki and three local teams, mostly from the Stratford area but known as the Coastal Adult Riding Club. It was run over two days 6 – 7 January at Stratford, but visitors and their supporters arrived and set up camp at the Stratford Show Grounds from Friday 5 January. The teams and visitors were most appreciative of the Stratford A&P's well-presented venue and facilities.

The event consists of 5 phases and can involve any four competitors from a team of up to six riders. Saturday started with the Riding Club Mount and involved a thorough inspection of each horse and rider, followed by an obstacle course. This had three compulsory elements, opening and closing a gate, trotting poles and a canter figure of eight, plus up to whatever other tricky tests the course designer can dream up. The course was timed and points were awarded for completing each obstacle.

In the afternoon, there were the ridden Quadrilles. Each team chose a musical theme and designed an arena pattern and a costume to match and the winning team had a "Lion King" theme, with their horses dressed as the Giraffe, the Warthog, the Zebra and a very impressive Lion.

Later there were Mounted Games which can become quite fast and furious. The points from these first three phases were carried forward to the next day and there was a lot of friendly rivalry, whole idea was to have fun and enjoy the comradeship. Overnight, one of the Coastal Club's Teams, was leading on points and was going to be hard to catch.

In the evening a dinner was held, with a quiz and a raffle and spot prizes, providing a chance for the teams to get together and socialise.

On Sunday, there was a Showjumping competition, known as the Gambler's Stakes, where only the gamest of competitors attempt the extra obstacle, called The Joker. Finally, the competition concluded with Team Formation jumping and it was quite impressive to watch four horses taking the obstacles, four abreast. The two Kapiti teams both excelled at this, but were not able to beat the overall points of the Coastal Adult Riding Club team, which emerged the winner of the two day competition.

The club members appreciate the donation of the spot prizes from the following sponsors, Duzz-All Bees Wax, Mountain Motors, Saddlery Warehouse, BHL Feeds, Isey Skyr and Midhirst Service Station Ltd.

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Local Rider's Success at the New Zealand National Horse & Pony Show 2024

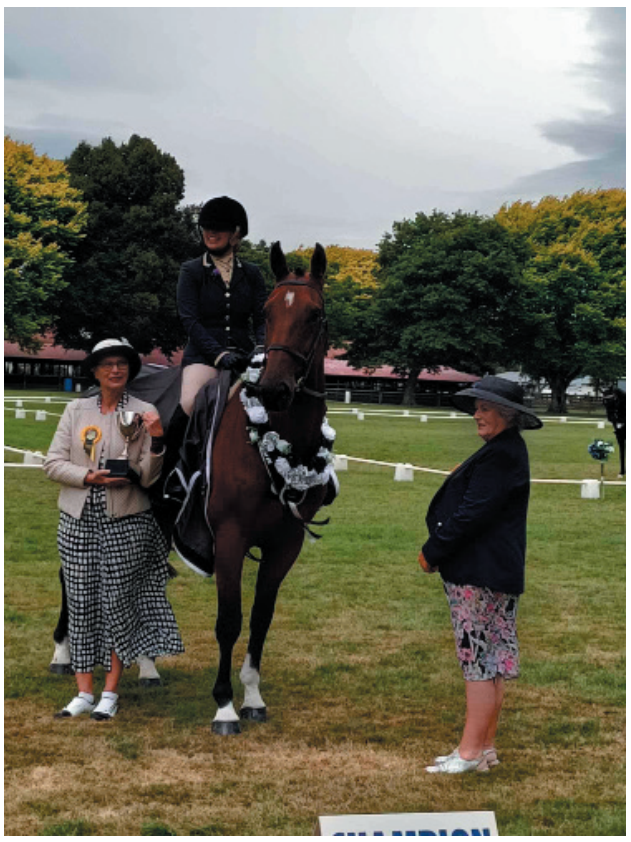
Hard work and dedication has paid off for local rider, coach, pony and horse breeder and dairy farmer Taylar Morrison!

Competing at the New Zealand National Horse & Pony Show in Dannevirke last week, Taylar campaigned her 6 yr old homebred Pleasure Horse Abbondante (Bart) along with a young Thoroughbred Kings Empire (Alex) and her results show how much hard work can achieve.

Kings Empire (Alex)
Most suitable as a show hack – 3rd
Most suitable as an eventer – 2nd
Best gelding thoroughbred – 4th
Thoroughbred with the best walk – 2nd
Thoroughbred with the best trot – 1st
Champion adult handler – 2nd
Newcomer in first season under saddle – 3rd
Reserve Champion National Newcomer Show Hack
Novice hack (0-5 wins) – 2nd
Reserve Champion Novice Show Hack
Novice paced and mannered show hack – 1st

Abbondante (Bart)
Pleasure Horse Section
Best trot – 1st
Best paces – 1st
Best rider – 1st

Winner Champion of Champions Pleasure Horse



CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS PLEASURE HORSE
(NZ National Title Challenge Pleasure Classes)
Champion Horse 2024 - Abbondante



Kings Empire (Alex)
7yr Australian Thoroughbred by Dissident

Roger Rei Memorial Open



Congratulations to Phil Hooper on winning the Roger Rei Memorial Open Golf Tournament at our close neighbors, Patea Golf Club with a gross score of 72 (-1)

Thanks to Patea Golf Club for a well-run and organised tournament and also congratulations to the Patea Golf Club on the condition of the course.

Once again, well done Phil.

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Taranaki Carriage Drivers News

Several members and friends enjoyed a Christmas Quizz Drive in December.

Driving quite a few kilometres, finding clues to the names of nursery rhymes. For some of us, nursery rhymes were in the far distant past, so some of the answers were wrong to say the least and all the major prize winners were comparatively young.

This was followed by a yummy pot luck lunch and catch up with some we hadn't seen for a while.

January and February are taken up with out of town competitions but here in Waverley we have a Graded Dressage Competition on March 9th and on the 10th a One Hour Challenge, with consists of a dressage text, a cone course and a 6km cross country marathon drive with four marathon obstacles which are driven against the clock.

Spectators are welcome and if anyone would like to vounteer to help it is a great way to see what we do and maybe you will be inspired to join us.

Thank you.

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Patea Golf Club News January 2024

Flying Nine

A nine-hole stableford competition is played on Wednesday nights from 4.30pm. Visitors and non-golfers are welcome. Kath Honeyfield had the good luck to win the mystery hole so a new jackpot has commenced

Business House Golf

Business House Golf started on Thursday 7th December with nightly cash prizes and sponsors draws. 16 teams have entered the competition, after our Xmas break, we play for 5 weeks from 25th January 2024. Thank you to the sponsors for the nightly prizes

Junior Golf Coaching

Junior golf coaching will take place on Thursday evenings with Ivan Howe for five weeks starting on 25th January. Assemble at 3.30pm. Cost is $2-00 per person

Roger Rei Memorial Open Golf Tournament.

This tournament will be played on Saturday 27th Jan 2024. Hopefully we have some good weather. The course will be in very good condition for this event and results will be published next month.

Summer Matchplay Competition

Most players have played their first-round matches. There is a consolation event for first round losers

Summer Cup Net Competition

This competition was the best two net scores out of the three programmed dates. Entries were good and Ray Finlay with net scores of 66 and 72 was the winner on 138. Second was Phil Cassidy with net scores of 68 and 74 for a 142 total and 3rd was Roger Edgecombe with nett scores of 69 and 74 for a 143 total.

'Garnett Family Trophy'

This event was a mixed foursomes competition played over 18 holes. Eight couples participated and the winners were Harvey and EV Gibbs scoring a net 69.5. Second were Ray and Win Finlay scoring a net 72.5 and third were Robert and Verna Bourke scoring a net 73. Players enjoyed a delicious afternoon tea after prize giving

Upcoming Events

3rd February	**Opening Day Canadian foursomes and a Plate please**
4th February	**Interclub versus Waverley at Patea and a plate please**
11th February	**Handicap pennants round one at Patea**
17th February	**Oakes Memorial round one**
24th February	**Oakes Memorial round two**
2nd March	**Williams Cup 18 holes nett**

Waverley Croquet Club



Wanganui Club Visit to Waverley Croquet Club

The Club started back after a couple of weeks break for Christmas earlier in the month.

Club days have not yet been up to full potential as many members were still away or had other commitments over this period. This showed up in the total of Jumpshots with only 1 achieved and 9 Hole in Ones achieved which wasn't to bad considering we had a few extremely hot days, which was to much for some members.

On one of these hot days we had Wanganui Club visit us. They bought a large contingent of members with them. After a few games played we were all glad to head into the Clubrooms for refreshments which were enjoyed by all. After prize giving and a bit of banter and chatter it was time for them to head for home.

They enjoyed themselves and we enjoyed hosting them. It is always a pleasure.

Up and coming events:

Saturday 27th January	**RSA Doubles 2 life system**
Wednesday 31st	**Tasman from New Plymouth to visit us.**
Wednesday 7th February	**Inglewood Club to visit us.**
Saturdays 10th & 24th February	**Set days for Singles.**







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