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## BUS LINKS PLANNED

Proposed bus routes include Waihi to Paeroa, Thames to Hamilton, Coromandel to Thames

*Commuters could catch a bus between Hauraki and Thames-Coromandel towns as early as January next year if proposed new bus services get the green light.*  
**GORDON PREECE reports**



The proposed new bus routes  
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Waikato Regional Council have opened public consultation for proposed new bus services to connect towns in the Thames-Coromandel and Hauraki districts.

A council report said further community consultation would be required for exact routes, bus stop locations and operating times of the service, which could begin in January, 2023.

However, a council report showed possible routes included a return service every two-hours from Waihi to Paeroa and morning and afternoon services between Thames and Te Aroha, with connections to Hamilton.

It may also include connections for commuters from Ngātea and Paeroa into Thames, and routes from Thames to Coromandel, Whitianga, Tairua and Whangamata.

The buses are expected to be the same size as the Thames Connector bus, and fares may cost as little as \$5, with seniors holding a SuperGold Card travelling for free.

The proposed bus services will cost \$163,000 in the 2022-23 year if council can secure 51 per cent of the cost from Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency (NZTA).

The cost of the service will be funded through a targeted rate for Thames-Coromandel and Hauraki residents.

Coromandel MP Scott Simpson said his electorate was “sadly lacking” in public transport and the proposed bus service was a start but it was late and he suspected it was going to be costly.

“I’m always disappointed when I hear government representatives talking about how they want to have more people using public transport and they want to have fewer cars on the road,” he said.

“When I look around the Coromandel electorate, the opportunity to ride on trains or use public transport is almost non-existent.”

Thames-Coromandel councillor Denis Tegg told *The Profile* there was a “real appetite” for more public transport.

“Frankly, for people in outlying towns or even in Thames itself getting from Coromandel to Thames or the East Coast to Thames, public transport is just not possible,” he said.

“So all that connectivity and social connection just doesn’t happen.”

“Then there’s the added problem with people wanting to get to Hamilton - it’s almost impossible to do that using [current] public transport.”

The consultation also includes the public having their say on whether the proposed bus services are paid for directly through regional council instead of district council rates. This would mean district councils would no longer be responsible for raising public transport funds and passing them on to regional council.

Mr Tegg called this current process “clumsy” and “cumbersome”.

“You’re basically having a lot of confusion in the public as to who’s responsible, so there’s quite a strong support to change that model,” he said.

“The other thing to emphasise is that if the regional council took it over, the rating that the district council imposes would end, so it’s not as if the ratepayers get it twice.”

If the rating changes were enacted following public consultation, the rating for new public transport services in Thames-Coromandel and Hauraki districts would be collected by regional council from July 1.

The proposal is part of Waikato Regional Council’s amendment to its 2021-2031 Long Term Plan. The public can have their say until April 30 before council hold hearings and deliberations on the amendment on May 23 and make their final decision on June 20.

**DETAILS: A webinar will be held at 6pm on April 7 to give residents and ratepayers with more detailed information about the proposals and an opportunity to ask questions. To register for the webinar and make an online submission, visit: [waikatoregion.govt.nz/yourvoicematters](http://waikatoregion.govt.nz/yourvoicematters).**

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# Hauraki Anzac parades canned

By KELLEY TANTAU, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

Anzac Day civic parades around the Hauraki have been cancelled to mitigate the spread of Covid-19, despite there no longer being limits on numbers of people for outdoor events.

Hauraki's public commemoration parades have ordinarily been held in Paeroa, Waihi, Ngatea, and Kaihere/Patetonga every year on Anzac Day, April 25.

However, Hauraki District Council made the "difficult" decision to cancel its civic parade events in light of the Omicron outbreak in New Zealand.

Dawn services, and other services run by each town's respective RSAs, will be able to continue under each RSA's judgement.

The Thames civic parade will be held as usual in Pollen St at 9:45am, followed by a 10am service.

Hauraki district Mayor Toby Adams said having to cancel civic parades was "a crying shame".

"We know that Anzac brings out some of our most vulnerable members of the public, and we didn't want to put them at risk," he said.

However, case numbers in the Hauraki, which sat at 285 active cases on Sunday, were a factor that led to the decision to cancel.

"We made the call quite early on and contended with: have we got enough time to get some road closures in place? But nothing has really changed as far as a health perspective... the health risk is still too great," Mayor Adams said.



There will be no Anzac parades in Hauraki this year.

File Photo: KELLEY TANTAU

Waihi RSA president Ellen Henderson believed the council had made the decision to cancel its civic parades too early, and possibly should have waited another four weeks.

She invited people to attend the Waihi RSA's service at 11am on April 25, where they would be having a small parade around the building, followed by lunch.

In a report presented to council at its meeting on March 30, around \$11,908 is spent on traffic management costs on Anzac Day - based on last year's services and parades throughout the district.

Around \$4660 is also spent on setting up town halls, band ser-

vices, advertising, and wreaths.

With that in mind, councillors decided to donate \$1500 to the three RSA Poppy Day Appeals in the district - at Hauraki Plains, Paeroa, and Waihi.

They also voted to allocate up to \$1500 to work with actor Mark Wright on a video commemoration in lieu of the cancelled services.

The video will include writing and recording a series of Anzac-related monologues, and working with the local RSAs to record videos from returned servicemen and other members.

The video would be for use on council's online platforms, and be

funded through existing budgets.

Last year's civic parades were able to run as planned, but when Covid-19 first arrived in New Zealand in March, 2020, all Anzac Day services around the country were cancelled. The national Poppy Day appeal was also postponed for the first time since 1922.

This led to people "standing at dawn" in their homes or at the end of their driveways - an act Mayor Adams said was "one of the most memorable services we've had".





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Waihi Beach	-0	12	-0 12

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# Signatures amassed in support of widow

By KELLEY TANTAU, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

Good news could be just around the corner for Carrie Geng, who feared deportation following her husband's tragic death in February.

Now, progress has been made to grant a residency, though by Monday morning, it hadn't been made official, Carrie told *The Profile*.

Carrie, 30, and her husband Henry Lin were both injured when their car crashed into a tree along Puketaha Rd, east of Hamilton, in February.

Henry subsequently died from his injuries, aged only 31.

Carrie is originally from northern China, but has lived in New Zealand for eight years.

Last week, she told *The Profile* her partnership visa was set to expire this month, and that her residency application was in its "final few steps when Henry was taken".

That meant her New Zealand residency application was suddenly "in limbo".

Immigration New Zealand's general manager border and visa operations Nicola Hogg told *The Profile* that the agency empathises with the stress caused by the loss of a loved one.

"Unfortunately, in these circumstances when the principal applicant passes, and there's a



Carrie Geng with the 700-plus signatures received for a petition asking Immigration New Zealand to keep her in the country.

Photo: KELLEY TANTAU

residence application open, the secondary applicant is advised that they will need to reapply as the principal applicant.

"If the secondary applicant was dependent on the principal applicant for their right to remain temporarily in New Zealand, they are then given an

opportunity to consider what changes to their visa status they will need to make to become eligible as a principal applicant."

Nicola said in the past when such situations have occurred, the application may be referred to a delegated decision maker who may decide to grant

residence or temporary status changes.

"Immigration New Zealand works hard to be as facilitative as possible in these types of difficult circumstances," she said.

Carrie said an official residency visa hadn't been granted as of Monday morning, but she

*"I can't make a big contribution to the whole country, but I've contributed to this local community. That's what I can do, and I try my best."*

- Carrie Geng

is optimistic about the outcome.

In the meantime, more than 700 people have signed a petition asking for Carrie to be able to stay in the country.

Signatures had been obtained from Te Aroha, Waihi, as well as the local community.

"All the people have shown their support, shown a big hug to me, and support me being here. Every day, they come in and buy something small and tell me it's good to have me back," she said.

"I can't make a big contribution to the whole country, but I've contributed to this local community. That's what I can do, and I try my best."

Carrie started work at Coin Save Paeroa six years ago, after studying business in Auckland.

It was in the city where she and Henry wed little more than two years ago at Settlers Country Manor.



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## In Brief

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**FOOD WASTE SURVEY**

The Thames-Coromandel Food Waste Group are encouraging residents to voice their opinions as Thames-Coromandel District Council explores options to initiate a household organics kerbside collection service to minimise waste to landfill. A survey has been made to gauge whether the community would prefer a household kerbside organic waste collection (food waste and green waste combined) or a food waste collection only. The survey is available at: [www.surveymonkey.com/r/TCDOrganicwastecollection](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TCDOrganicwastecollection) and is open until April 12.

If anyone has a specialty skill, or is into repairing or repurposing, they can contact the centre at [hrrcmanager@gmail.com](mailto:hrrcmanager@gmail.com) or head down to 1 Grey St this week, April 7-10, to celebrate its first year of business.



# Shop owner chases thief down street

By KELLEY TANTAU, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

The owner of a Crown Lynn store in Thames’ main street handed out her own form of justice after catching a woman stealing from her.

Monica Grafton, who owns the Crown Lynn and More Store in Grahamstown, chased the sticky-fingered thief down the street and scolded her for attempting to steal a stash of DVDs from the front entrance of the store.

The confrontation occurred on March 12 during the Saturday morning markets, when Monica’s husband Andy Lomax watched the woman hide DVDs in her handbag.

“We have suspected her for a while,” Monica told *The Profile*.

“My husband with his market stall has seen her a couple of times, and she’s come in and bought something and left. He came to me once and said: ‘Did she buy something?’ and I said: ‘Yeah, she bought some DVDs’ and he was sure he saw her put a handful in her bag.

“On Saturday [March 12] he saw her again and watched her and actually saw her do it, and she turned to walk away with them. He shoulder tapped her and asked if she was going to pay for them, and she panicked and put them back,” she said.

“I was inside, so he came in and said: ‘I’ve seen her, she’s just done it’ and I said: ‘Where is she?’”



Monica Grafton dished out her own form of justice to a woman who was caught trying to steal from her. Photo: KELLEY TANTAU

Monica then “chased her up the street and told her what I thought about things”.

“I did say a couple of choice things to her, and I said I’m not happy about her stealing and basically to not come back, and I said it all very loudly with some extra words in there so that various shopkeepers and market stallholders could hear me,” she said.

“It was pretty much in the middle of the street so I probably embarrassed myself more than I embarrassed her.”

Monica has owned the vintage store for three years, and said this was the first instance of brazen theft she and Andy have witnessed.

After the incident, which Monica chose not to report to Police, the woman did ap-

proach her to apologise, but Monica fears the public shaming has done little to deter her from stealing again.

“It’s a real struggle right now, and it’s only items worth a couple of dollars, but that’s only from me. What’s she taking from the inside of other people’s places? We’re all doing it real tough at the minute and that’s just not something else you want to deal with.”

According to a survey run by the Thames Business Association released in March, more than 52 per cent of businesses have experienced an increase in crime in the past two years, while 32 per cent said they had been a victim of crime.



## We need to talk

### Me kōrero ngātahi tātou

## We’re proposing some key changes for 2022/23



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To make sure our community gets the full picture, we’ve got a flyer coming out to each ratepayer in the next week or so. Keep a look out for it in your post box or in your email inbox.

**We’re asking for your feedback on the following issues:**

1. The proposed amendments to the budget and work programme for the 2022/23 year (the proposed annual plan).
2. The rating impacts of the proposed 2022/23 budget and work programme for the 2022/23 year.
3. The proposed changes to the way we rate annual charges – to SUIP (separately used or inhabited parts) and resulting minor changes to our revenue and financing policy.
4. Changes to our rates remission policies.
5. The rating impacts of the proposed change to SUIP.

### Changes to rating annual charges (SUIPs)

We’ve signalled this for a while, but now is the time to talk about SUIPs.

What’s a SUIP, you ask? Great question! It stands for Separately Used or Inhabited Part. In other words, one or more parts of a property that can be separately used or inhabited. For example, separate dwellings in a retirement village, multiple houses on a section or farm, or multiple shops in one building.

**What we’re proposing to change**

Some of our rates are based on a set amount per property (called an ‘annual charge’). We’re proposing to charge our annual charge rates per SUIP, rather than charging per property. This change doesn’t affect the total amount of rates that

Council collects, it is just a different way of ‘slicing the pie’. For 94% of properties, this change means they will pay less, while the 6% of properties with multiple SUIP’s will pay more.

As things stand at the moment, 20 houses on separate sections pay 20 annual charges, while 20 dwellings in a retirement village only pay one between them, despite that retirement village being occupied by many individual households. We consider it’s fair and equitable to charge the annual charges based on SUIPs.

Our proposal does not change the way capital value or land value rates are charged. These would continue to be charged on the value of the property.

### Have your say

#### Kei a koe te korero

The feedback period is open until 4pm 2 May 2022.

For further information visit our website <https://weneedtotalk.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/2022-23-draft-annual-plan/> or call into one of the Council offices or libraries.





# Rates to rise while committee numbers drop

By KELLEY TANTAU, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

Opposition to a district council’s decision to reduce the membership of one of its committees was labelled a potential “conspiracy theory” around the table last week.

It followed Hauraki District Council floating an average non-water rates increase of 3.95 per cent for 2022-23.

At its March 30 meeting, present councillors, bar two, voted to reduce the membership of its Manaaki Toiora Committee to encompass Mayor Toby Adams and five councillors.

The councillors appointed to the committee were selected as Waihi ward councillor Anne Marie Spicer as chair; Plains ward councillor Ross Harris as deputy chair; Waihi ward councillor Paul Anderson; and Paeroa ward councillors Rino Wilkinson and Jo Tilsley.

Plains ward councillor Ray Broad, and Waihi ward councillor Brian Gentil voted against the change, voicing concerns over the unbalanced representation of elected members, and potential bias leading up to the local body elections in October.

Previously, the Manaaki Toiora Committee was made up of all elected members. Its primary role is to work alongside communities and key stakeholders to take action that positively influences the social, cultural, and economic wellbeing of residents.

The timing and process behind the committee changes raised questions for Cr Gentil, who noted that, with elections six months away, selection on to Manaaki Toiora could have the potential to raise one’s public profile; however, Mayor Adams proclaimed there was “no secret squirrel stuff happening in this council”.

Cr Ross Harris also said suggesting selection on to the committee was a “political rort to gain votes” was “totally out of order”.

‘Vote Day’ for local body elections will be on October 8 this year, with Mayor Adams already expressing his desire to run for the district’s top job for a second term.

Candidate nominations open from July 15 until August 12.

Meanwhile, council has released its draft annual plan for 2022-23.

In it, council is forecasting a non-water rates increase of 3.95 per cent, and for water, an average increase of 7.5 per cent.

However, it is also consulting on the possible introduction of Separately Used and Inhabited Parts (SUIPs). According to Mayor Adams, SUIPs are ‘separately used or inhabited parts’ of a rating unit. That is, for example, retirement villages, or additional houses on farming or lifestyle properties. It would mean that households would pay their “fair share” of the cost of contributing to services.

Consultation closes on May 2, and council will consider the final annual plan in June for adoption to come into effect on July 1.

Also at the meeting was a unanimous decision to grant \$20,000 from the Plains Ward Community Recreational Facilities Development Fund to the Kerepēhi Bowls and Sports Club for their project to extend the clubrooms to enable it to be better used as a community hub and Civil Defence headquarters.

Council also agreed to grant a five-year interest free loan of \$20,000.



Twenty-seven current and former members attended the celebrations.

Photos: GORDON PREECE

## 50 years of crafting

Former and current members of Creative Fibre Thames celebrated the group’s 50th anniversary with a high tea and displays of their crafts at St James Church on March 28. Reporter GORDON PREECE headed along for a yarn.



Member Lee Bisset with her national award winning crafts.



Margaret Morritt, left, June Orton, Judy Wright and Pauline Belworthy.



Members, Socheat Fallas, left, Margaret Morritt and Katherine Sangster.



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# Teacher, counsellor, confidante for 29 years

*A kindergarten teacher who has consoled, danced, and sung with hundreds of Paeroa children over the course of 29 straight years has officially hung up her hat.*

By KELLEY TANTAU, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

Glenys McKain's last day teaching at Central Kids Paeroa was on Tuesday. Now she hopes she doesn't find herself staring at the fridge, wondering what to do with her days.

Glenys, who lives in Te Aroha, actually started teaching at Central Kids in 1978, after graduating from teachers college in Hamilton.

She worked there for little more than two years before she left Paeroa to teach in Whakatāne.

"I had planned on travelling overseas after two years... but I just enjoyed it so much that overseas never happened, and I continued teaching," she told *The Profile*.

She returned to Central Kids, on the corner of Arney and Wood Sts, 29 years ago, and has stayed ever since.

"I did either want to work with children, or be a vet -



Glenys McKain has resigned from her post at Central Kids Paeroa after 29 years.

Photo: KELLEY TANTAU

children or animals - and what do they say? Never work with children or animals?" she joked.

"But it's what I do, it's who I am, and coming back to a place where you first started... those children have now

started turning 49." Glenys has taught second generation families, and said the children were a "joy" to be around.

"There's no judgement with children, and they say such beautiful things and are such curious, creative people. What

other job can you come to where you can have a laugh, you can dance, you can sing, you can run? You can be who you want to be."

She was part of a teacher exchange that took her abroad to South Korea for four weeks,

and, in 2010, she was a member of the Central Kids Paeroa team to win five awards from the organisation - with Glenys taking home the supreme award.

Throughout her tenure, she has stepped into the roles of nurse, counsellor, and confidante, and said it would take a bit of adjusting to adapt to life outside of the kindy.

"I'm really proud of what we've achieved here at Paeroa... one person doesn't make a place on their own, so I will miss that camaraderie.

"I've kind of taken a leap of faith," she said.

"I just came to the realisation that it was important to have some 'me time', to catch my breath, and spend time with my mum who is elderly.

"There are going to be days when I'm like: what am I going to do with myself? But I don't know, because I've never had this opportunity."

Although Glenys has resigned from her position at Central Kids, she still has a spot of relief teaching up her sleeve. "I'm going to be real emotional, but I just know it's the right thing for me to do.

"It's a cliché, but I want to leave knowing I've given it everything I've got."



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Five Rotary clubs are involved in building sixteen new Hauraki Rail Trail shelters, with the first one put up in Miranda. Photo: SUPPLIED

## Rotary builds shelters for Rail Trail

By GORDON PREECE

Rotary’s new Hauraki Rail Trail shelters will soon provide a place for riders to rest on their journey.

The 16 new railway station-designed shelters are a centennial project by five Rotary Clubs, including Thames, Paeroa, Te Aroha, Morrinsville and Matamata, and will include long bench seats, station names and interpretations of community stories.

The shelters will be located every 10km on the full length of the 197km trail.

Rotary Thames president

Warren Sly said he came up with the idea to build the shelters in 2020 after riding the trail in 2019.

“I noticed there was no shelter and thought it would be a worthwhile project for Rotary to look at providing some shelters. So I put a proposal together and put it to the Hauraki Rail Trail Charitable Trust, and they were very happy with the concept,” he said.

“We’ve tried to make the project as inclusive as possible. Iwi are looking at decorating the shelters, gardening groups are looking at planting natives around the shelters, and we’re

*“There’s been a lot of feedback over the years for a need for shelter... Rotary came to us with a solution.”*

- Diane Drummond

approaching primary schools to adopt a shelter.”

Hauraki Rail Trail Charitable Trust chief executive Diane Drummond said she was “absolutely thrilled” with Rotary’s community partnership for the

shelters.

“There’s been a lot of feedback over the years for a need for shelter,” she said.

“It’s a long trail and we have long, hot summers... and [Rotary] came to us with a solution, which is just what this trail is all about, it’s all about community.”

“We worked with [Rotary] to actually look at something that was trail wise and then the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) came in behind them and supported that.

“We’ve currently raised \$185,000 and are looking for

additional funding to complete them all but we’re certainly well on the way.”

Rotary Thames raised around \$35,000 for the project.

Diane said Rotary began building the shelters 18 months ago and after some delays, they erected the first one six weeks ago at Miranda on the trail’s Kaiaua to Thames section.

“All going well we’re on target to have the first eight done probably by the end of June,” she said.

“[Rider] numbers are growing... and trails throughout New Zealand are absolutely booming.”

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# Rural Life

## Farmers could be affected by govt water proposals

Many small water suppliers in the region will be caught up in the proposed changes to standards of drinking water, the Waikato Regional Council says.

In its submission on the proposed amendments to the National Environmental Standards for Sources of Human Drinking Water (NES-DW) and the Improving the Protection of Drinking-Water sources discussion document, the council has asked the government to engage with communities and suppliers, so they are fully aware of compliance requirements.

At a recent council strategy and policy meeting, there was robust conversation around what the proposed amendments would mean for small water suppliers, including farmers, bach owners and those on small community supplies.

The amendments seek to correct gaps in the activities that pose risk to source water and provide adequate protection to water supplies serving less than 500 people, therefore there will be more registered "water suppliers" under the NES-DW.

The proposals will also require regional councils to map the default source water risk management areas (SWRMA) for all registered drinking water supplies in their region.

Strategy and policy chair Pamela Storey said the committee approved of the proposed amendments in principle, however more information was needed, and that information also had to be shared with those impacted.

"We want safe drinking water for everyone – we feel very strongly about the need to provide for the health and well-being of our communities," Cr Storey said.

"But we're concerned about how this will work in practice. There are many suppliers who will be caught up in this. Many farms in this region supply water to farmhouses, and that means they will need to treat those supplies and follow the standards.

"We don't want this to be over-complicated for our rural communities or costs to be too prohibitive, otherwise we will see wholesale non-compliance of a system that is set up to fail."

As with all the council's recent submissions to the government, it was noted that sufficient resourcing needed to be provided by central government to ensure successful implementation and uptake.

"There will be a cost to the council to map the water areas and amend plans to align with the proposed amendments. And this cost is inevitably handed down to our ratepayers," Cr Storey said.

"We want more tools in the toolkit to identify what constitutes a water supplier, and central government needs to connect closely with communities on this."

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Goldfield School's new van features the Swamp Foxes logo in appreciation of their support. Photo: GORDON PREECE

# New van for Goldfields School

By GORDON PREECE

Paeroa's Goldfields School has a new set of wheels thanks to a \$30,000 donation by Thames Valley Rugby Union. Principal Cameron McKenzie said the modified van, which carries seven students including two in wheelchairs, was "great" and would be "very important" for Goldfields.

"There are 85 students all with different learning or physical disabilities but the students with physical disabilities are the ones who have the most trouble accessing the community, so that's why the vans are so important.

"We take the students out on community visits, we take them to supermarkets, we take them to work experience, and we go

to parks, so it's a big part of our lives," he said.

"The school's grown over the last few years, and our needs have changed but we've got a big drive to get out into the community for the students and it's been a good year in the making."

Goldfields received the \$30,000 donation from Thames Valley Rugby Union last year with the main source of it coming from an auction that included a Swamp Foxes jersey designed by Goldfields students.

Mr McKenzie said when the Swamp Foxes announced their donation for the school, he decided the best place to spend the money was on a "big ticket item".

"We asked them if it was okay that we use that money to contribute to pay for half the price

of the van which was around \$60,000," he said.

"Swampfoxes were really happy to contribute in that way, because it directly affects the students and their schooling."

Mr Mckenzie said the new van also featured the Swamp Foxes logo for the school to acknowledge their support.

"[The Swamp Foxes] thought that was a really nice idea, they've supported us now for five years so we just wanted to show people that we're proud of that partnership," he said.

"Thanks to the Swamp Foxes for their ongoing support and we really appreciate them thinking of us, all students would like to say thank you and we're proud to have their logo on the side of our van."

# Rail trail extension underway

Construction has started on the scenic Hauraki Rail Trail extension in Waihi.

The extension will continue from the current end of the trail at Goldfields Railway, to the central business area of Waihi, following the Ohinemuri River.

The project was highlighted in Hauraki District Council's long term plan, and ward councillor Anne Marie Spicer said it was largely supported by the Waihi community.

However, the exact route between the railway station and Victoria St, and from Gilmour Lake to the town centre, is still under consultation with some stakeholders.

"Extending the route from Goldfields Railway into Waihi town via the beautiful Ohinemuri River will make the route clear and safer for cyclists to find their way to the boutique shopping, cafes, and bakeries on offer in the CBD, as well as our museum and Gold Discovery Centre," she said.

A post on council's social media said its works team had been hard at work digging out the route, and shaping the track's base-course with aggregate between Wellington and Montrose Streets and will lay aggregate along Riverbank Terrace next.

Extension works should have little to no impact on traffic, with most of the traffic management being a closed shoulder, council said.



HDC's works team have been busy shaping the track in Waihi.

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# The diamond years of Kaihere Cricket

CLUB PROFILE

By KELLEY TANTAU, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

Something has been stirring underneath Kaihere Cricket Club’s “laissez-faire” appearance.

Whether it’s the player’s passion for the game, or the generational makeup of the club, or its “no d\*ckheads” policy, the team known as the Cougars have tapped into something that makes their 100 years of operation a rare feat, but an unsurprising one.

“We’re not flashy, but we play good cricket,” Mike Davis says.

This year marks the club’s centenary, and with the cricket season’s end, it also caps off another great result for the Cougars.

In March, the team won the Chairman’s Trophy in the Waikato Valley B Grade Championship final against Pirongia. It’s a back-to-back result after claiming the trophy in 2021.

Sam Aislabie, the club’s on-field captain and team manager, says Kaihere has been successful in recent years.

They get two bites at winning two trophies of equal value, one post and one pre-

“We’re not flashy, but we play good cricket.”  
- Mike Davis

Christmas, and over the past 10 years, they’ve won either six or seven of them, he says.

“We’re not trying to do anything crazy on the field, but we do like to be able to go out there and take it seriously for the time we’re out there.”

The Kaihere Cricket Club was formed in 1922, with AJ McDonald being its main instigator. He died in 1968 having been the club’s president since its inception 46 years prior.

Through the 1920s-50s, games were played at school grounds and farmer’s paddocks against teams from Waitakaruru, Hopai, Pipiroa, Ōrongo, Ngatea, Turua, Maramarua, Kerepēhi, and Kopuarahi.

The club went into recess for the duration of World War II, but when players such as Mike and Andy Davis joined the club in the 1960s, there were still eight rival teams on the Hauraki Plains alone.

“As the years have gone by, teams have disappeared,



Mike Davis, left, Graeme Beagley, and Andy Davis, have all had a hand in ensuring Kaihere Cricket has a good team culture on and off the pitch.  
Photo: KELLEY TANTAU

because it takes administrators for the game to continue,” Mike tells *The Profile*.

“We’ve been fortunate that when Andy and I have finished up, or Bob O’Dea finished running the place, Graeme [Beagley], Mark [Harris], and now Sam have picked up the baton.

“That’s the key for a country sport.”

Sam, 32, played his first game for Kaihere back in 2004. He’s from a family of Cougars, as are most of the players. In fact, the club is “riddled with” generational influences, the men say, and they’ve often witnessed games

where there were only three families on the field.

“As the older generation, we really appreciate what the younger guys are doing and vice versa,” Mike says. “The reason we do as well as we do is because we’re loyal, and we stick to our guns, come hell or

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high water, and there's been a bit of high water.”

Andy says cricket is a game where success isn't easily found, but at the moment, the team spirit is the best it's ever been.

It all boils down to having a good team culture, Sam says, and there's a recurring theme that players without good personalities never seem to stick around.

“You see a lot of club teams that have two or three good players that do everything: they do all the batting, do all the bowling, get all the runs, get all the wickets, and it's not like a selfish thing, but it is really hard to get people to come along who aren't going to be doing much,” he explains.

“So, the way we've always run the team is that most guys will get a chance to have a bat or a bowl. Participation is really important, everyone's got a role in the team, and everyone's contributing, so I think that's a real strength of ours.”

The others agree.

“There's been a lot of people in the club that haven't had a hell of a lot of success, but they've continued to play and have enabled the rest of us to carry on,” Andy says.

“There's a pride in playing for a team,” Mike adds, “and Kaihere has always been a team.”

Throughout its 100 years,



In March, the team won the Chairman's Trophy in the Waikato Valley B Grade Championship final against Pirongia.

Photo: SUPPLIED

the club has been helped along by many players and administrators, including former All Black Bob O'Dea, who, in the record books, was said to have smashed five centuries in the 1952-53 season.

Now, with the likes of Graeme Beagley putting time and effort into secondary school and primary school cricket, more young people are becoming interested in the game, thus ensuring clubs like Kaihere can continue going strong for another century.

“What we would like to see is the return of more Thames Valley teams,” Sam says.

“They've got a social competition that is around two years

old, so it's starting, but a big win for us would be to see some social teams start playing Saturday club cricket again and just take it that one step further.

“But the reason we've stayed around is because we've had a good culture, and we've had our focuses in the right areas,” he says. “We haven't been the best on the field, but we've made sure to keep going.”

“I'm under no illusions that it's going to get hard again at some point, but at the moment, it's really, really good, so it's more about trying to enjoy these good times.”



Former Cougar and All Black Bob O'Dea was said to have smashed five centuries for Kaihere in the 1952-53 season.

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Nihindu Wickramathunga scored more than 250 runs for Hauraki.  
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Nihindu ‘makes history’ with double

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“History making”, “impossible to imagine”, “miraculous”, “a batting performance never to be repeated”.

These are just a few of the words or phrases which have been used to describe the highlight of the cricket match played in Hamilton between the Hauraki Plains College and Hamilton Boys High School Development XI recently. With Covid issues having ruled out several top players recently, the chances of Hauraki reaching the finals of the Division 1 Hamilton/Waikato Valley Secondary School’s set up would have matched “Lotto” odds. When the players left the field after both teams had batted out 50 overs on March 26, there were facts and figures in the

scorebooks to prove that the era of miracles has not passed.

After winning the toss and batting, Hauraki’s run quest began slowly against a tight bowling line up but when Nihindu Wickramathunga strode to the wicket after eight overs, the game began to change immediately.

Forty-two overs later the record books had new figures to consider and his team had a chance to secure a previously unlikely spot in the championship final. Anthony Barker, Cullen Crowe and Logan Dodunski all provided support for the 17-year-old Wickramathunga as he smashed the luckless Hamilton Boys’ bowlers to all parts of the field. His 263 runs, plus the team score of 413 for the loss of only four wickets, are thought to be the highest

ever recorded in school cricket - certainly in local competitions.

Hauraki needed to restrict the opposition to less than 240 runs to secure a finals spot over three other competition teams through run rate differences. This dream almost disappeared because of clumsy fingers plus sloppy ground fielding. Luckily, Cooper Green obliged with a great final three overs to allow Hauraki to scrape through to meet Cambridge High School on April 2.

Match details: Hauraki Plains College 413 for 4 wickets. Nihindu Wickramathunga 263 not out, Cullen Crowe 32. Anthony Barker 26, Logan Dodunski 25, Cooper Green 4/32, defeated Hamilton Boys High School Development XI 226 for 9 wickets.

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Paeroa College year 13 student Amber Mckain throws a mean pitch.

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Thames High year 10 student Chloe Paynter takes a swing.



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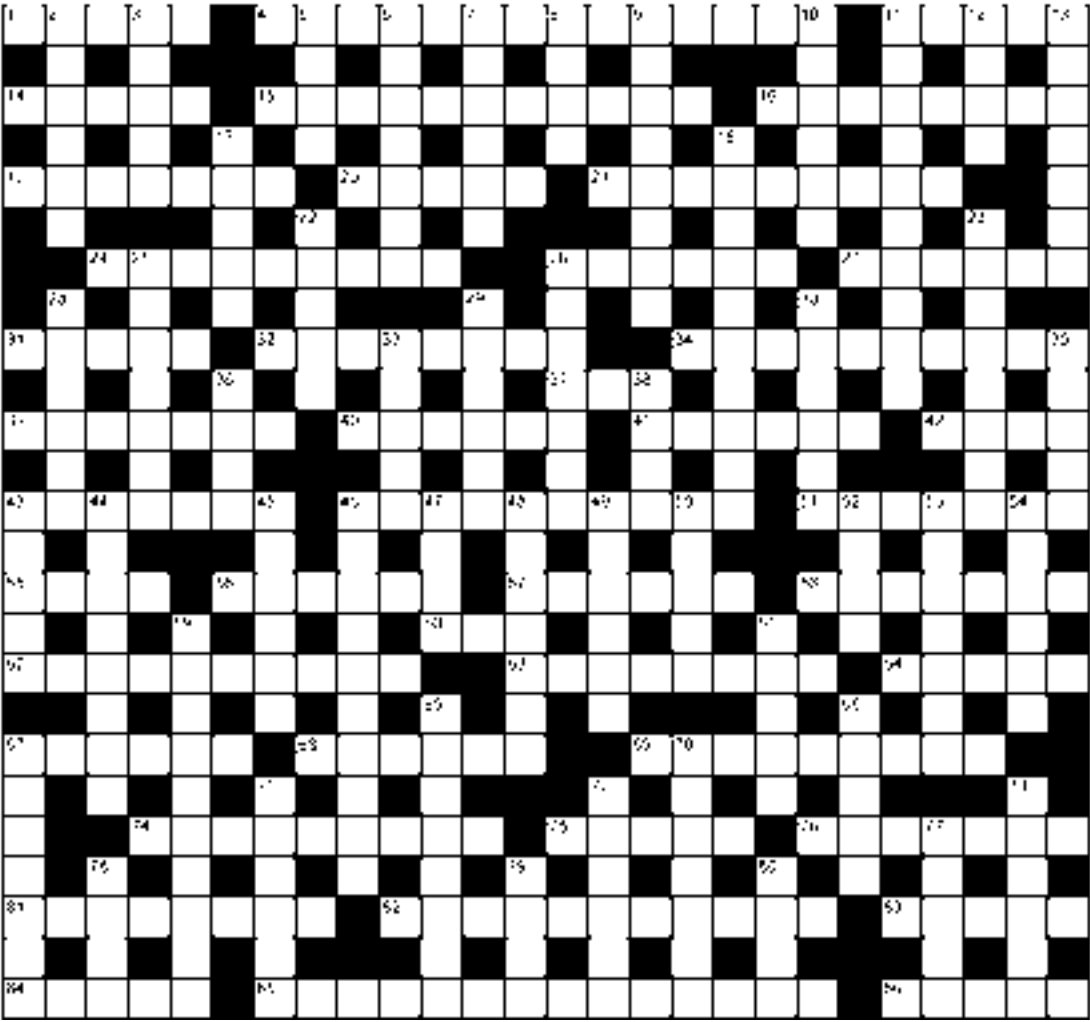
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4 Agree to forget a former disagreement (4,3,7)  
11 Venomous snake (5)  
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15 Necessity, want (11)  
16 Conspicuous wealth (8)  
19 Skin bubble (7)  
20 Severe pain (5)  
21 Sailors' engraving craft (9)  
24 Numbered target (9)  
26 Come to rest (6)  
27 Gemstones (6)  
31 Moral tale (5)  
32 Sit astride (8)  
34 Lopsided (10)  
37 Small bed (3)  
39 Prudent (7)  
40 Elastic garment (6)  
41 Dwell (6)  
42 Military flute (4)  
43 Spendthrift (7)  
46 Defamatory (10)  
51 Have (7)  
55 Harvest (4)  
56 Peeping Tom (6)  
57 Spasmodic (6)  
58 Apprentice (7)  
60 Long fish (3)  
62 Place of worship (10)  
63 Organised (8)  
64 Roofing material (5)

67 Die (6)  
68 Turn around an axis (6)  
69 Ladies sit (anag)(9)  
74 Leftover (9)  
75 Camera adjustment (5)  
76 Army commander (7)  
81 Predict (8)  
82 Children's game (4-3-4)  
83 Simple song (5)  
84 Motorway divisions (5)  
85 Have an immediate and successful effect (4,4,1,5)  
86 Bread riser (5)

**DOWN**

2 Frozen drip (6)  
3 Shoe protectors (5)  
5 Hand-me-down (4)  
6 Less old (7)  
7 Employing (6)  
8 Abode (4)  
9 Bersist determination (8)  
10 Keyboard user (6)  
11 Loan security (10)  
12 Financial institution (4)  
13 Eternal (7)  
17 Trivial (5)  
18 Fiddlers (10)  
22 Value (5)  
23 Draw a verbal picture of (8)  
25 Minor illness (7)

26 Apparition (7)  
28 Broad-brimmed hat (6)  
29 Phonograph inventor (6)  
30 Short of money (4,2)  
33 Coral island (5)  
35 Clothe (5)  
36 Silent (4)  
38 Threesome (4)  
43 Least good (5)  
44 Sword sheath (8)  
45 Observe (4,2)  
46 Entranced (10)  
47 Measure of land (4)  
48 Let air out of (7)  
49 Homecoming (6)  
50 Policy reversal (1-4)  
52 Paddles (4)  
53 Small frying pan (7)  
54 Daytime nap (6)  
59 Brochure of university courses (10)  
61 Hold-up (5)  
65 Fabric (8)  
66 Body organ (5)  
67 Sore (7)  
70 German word for German (7)  
71 Candle fat (6)  
72 Eye part (6)  
73 Spiny plant (6)  
77 Banish (5)  
78 Small bird (4)  
79 Reach maximum (4)  
80 Dread (4)



**PREVIOUS SOLUTION**

**ACROSS:** 1 Albumen, 4 Face to face, 9 Concoct, 13 Asks, 14 Stared, 15 Poison, 16 Alchemy, 19 Maligner, 20 Obsidian, 21 Ebony, 24 Gather, 25 Canyon, 27 Arbitrate, 32 Artistic, 33 Precis, 34 Special, 38 Conceals, 39 Infant, 40 Book, 41 Stale, 42 Depot, 45 Put the screws on, 52 Prowl, 55 Macaw, 56 VIII, 57 Try out, 58 Surround, 61 At fault, 62 Aghast, 63 Anathema, 66 Frankfurt, 68 Agenda, 69 Antics, 73 Bliss, 74 Distress, 76 Escalation, 81 Agitate, 82 Renown, 83 Ribald, 84 Firm, 85 Attempt, 86 Degenerate, 87 Distend.

**DOWN:** 1 Alarm, 2 Bakelite, 3 Netted, 4 Farce, 5 Code, 6 Typhoon, 7 Flimsy, 8 Crowd, 10 Oily, 11 Cohabit, 12 Coming, 17 Endearment, 18 Mania, 22 Hyacinth, 23 Gripe, 24 Glanced, 26 Acts, 28 Rainbow, 29 Fillip, 30 Beater, 31 Fallow, 33 Plans, 35 Cater, 36 Snap, 37 Dodo, 43 Exacts, 44 Osaka, 46 Unit, 47 Trigger, 48 Extras, 49 Crypt, 50 Educated, 51 Nought, 52 Pyromaniac, 53 Opus, 54 Ledgers, 59 Blunt, 60 Wand, 64 Affix, 65 Civilise, 67 Rosette, 68 Absence, 70 Plight, 71 Before, 72 Ballad, 75 Theme, 77 Sabre, 78 Nomad, 79 Stop, 80 Aria.



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Waihi Beach team members Grant Caskie, left, Lyn Brooks and Devon Brooks receive the Dunn Memorable Trophy from Gwen Dunn.

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## Waihi Beach wins Dunn Memorial Trophy

BOWLS

Waihi Beach were dominant in the prestigious Dunn Memorial tournament played at Paeroa Bowling Club on March 18, taking out both top places in the Unichem Pharmacy and Paeroa Four Square-sponsored event.

Darryl Hawkins, (skip), Jenny Loveridge, (two) and Penny Meanie, (lead) were runners up to another Waihi Beach combination made up of Devon Brooks (skip), Grant Caskie (two) and Lyn Brooks playing lead, having four wins each and Brooks' team winning with a points differential.

Paeroa Bowling Club's combination of Peter Rowling, (Skip), Paul Cornish, (Lead) and Kevin Lockley (two) could only manage a third placing overall in the he tournament, which hosted 14 teams was held in excellent conditions on a good playing green.

Paeroa Bowling Clubs next tournament was the Blind Bowlers Day on April 3, sponsored by the Watton Family in conjunction with Peter and Heather O'Hagan. Paeroa Bowling Club's next open tournament will be held on April 8.

KEREPEHI BOWLING CLUB

There were good weather conditions again for bowls on March 27 for the Bowers Concrete optional three bowl triples. Six teams had a good run with three wins.

Prize winners were: 1st 4 Wins 25 points 19 ends (Morrinsville) L Wynen, K Hansen, C Finlay; 2nd 3 Wins 24 points 22 ends (Kerepehi/Paeroa) Peter Glass, George Morehu, Peter Rowling; 3 rd 3 Wins 13 points 19 ends (Thames) Ken Harris, Bob Graham, Brian Fisher; 4th 3 Wins 13 points 18 ends (Kerepehi) Lorraine Putt, Glanda Brackenridge, Margaret Henderson.

Coming up on April 10, Smythe Engineering optional fours; April 21, Classic Pairs; April 24, Harrison Family optional three bowl triples. This completes summer bowls tournaments and Club Colours) and winter bowls begin on May 12, 9:30am starts, mufti with multi sponsored optional fours (Ravensdown Products, RMS Contracting, Valley Toyota, Tony Richards Toyota). On May 26, Whyteline Cockie-Stockies opt 4s (Min one non-bowler per team). Entries or enquiries to club (after 4pm) 07 867 6897.

## WI members recognised

The annual general meeting of the Thames Hauraki Plains District Federation of Women's Institute commenced on March 1 with the singing of The Ode, followed by the prayer, read by past president Noelene Kayes. Thoughts were given to members who had passed away during the past six months. Federation president Shirley Harding welcomed everyone and her thought for the day was: Listening to what others say, helps new ideas come our way. Visitors included national executive member Toni Brumby, past presidents, and representatives from Northern Waikato and Waikato East. Penny Curtis, president of Waikato East and past member of Kerepehi WI opened the meeting.

A 15-year certificate was presented to Clarice Beaumont of Waihi WI and a good service badge was presented to Shirley Harding of Waihi WI for her service to our organisation. Mrs Harding then presented Clarice Beaumont and Bev Schenkel gifts and thanked them very much for the work they have done over the past four years on Federation. The new committee for 2022 was introduced: president Shirley Harding, secretary Elaine Jolliffe, treasurer Christine Tu-hakaraina, Shirley Rea, Carolyn Giles, Dawn Clark and Jill Clark. Raffles were won by M Hetherington, T Brumby, L Maguire, V Prince, C Beaumont, L Morris, N Kayes and P Curtis.

Mrs Brumby then spoke about her experiences that she has had over the past two years being a member of the national executive committee. There has been a huge amount of learning as far as the organisation is concerned as well as challenges that they have all faced with Covid, especially learning new technology with zoom meetings.

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Donations needed for ‘backcountry destination’

MOUNTAIN BIKING

By KELLEY TANTAU, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

Increases in the cost of building materials and fuel has left Thames Mountain Bike Club just short of their \$68,000 target to upgrade a 3km track in the hills behind Thames.

But obtaining the funds is needed to create the “backcountry trail destination” the club has been working towards for the past 10 years.

Club treasurer, track builder, and rider Barry Ingle told *The Profile* that Stage 2 of the club’s Karaka Track upgrade is set to start on April 19 and will take six weeks to complete.

The route will take mountain bikers and walkers from the second bridge, located around 1.8km from the start of the track, up to what are known as the Red Rocks - also called Red Bluffs - rocks that have been dyed bright red by lichen.

It’s an “outstanding” view that many people haven’t had a chance to see, Mr Ingle said, due to the track’s degeneration.

“The track is so bad it’s only really enthusiastic people that walk up there,” he said, “but the views of the Red Bluffs and all up the Kaueranga are amazing. That is the main feature of



Mountain Bike Club members make their way along the Red Rocks on the Karaka Track. Photo: SUPPLIED

going up that track, they’re just outstanding.”

As it is currently, the track turns into a “swamp” over winter and is almost unusable.

Having a new track - which will be a minimum of 1.5 metres

wide - means walkers, runners, and mountain bikers will be able to witness the backcountry vista year-round.

The club raised \$55,000 and were ready to start work on Stage 2 back in November, but

the contractors weren’t available until this month.

In that time, “huge increases” in track building material and fuel costs caused by the Covid-19 pandemic and world events meant the club was now

short on funds, Mr Ingle said. The club requires an additional \$13,277 to meet the \$68,277 needed to upgrade the link to Red Bluffs.

“It’s definitely going ahead,” he said. “If we don’t get the funds, we end up just having to stop short of the Red Bluffs, that’s our only option.”

The club raised \$75,000 back in 2018-2019 to construct two bridges along the track as part of Stage 1 of the upgrade project.

Stage 3 of the project, from the Red Bluffs lookout to the Waiotahi Junction, is scheduled for late-2022, pending funding of around \$32,000.

“The club’s sinking quite a lot of money into something the public can use for free,” Mr Ingle said.

“Everything we’re doing is community related. It’s all for community use, community involvement, and getting people out enjoying the bush, mountain biking, and exercising.”

**DETAILS:** Anyone wanting to help with funds can either become a paid member of the TMBC, or make a donation via its website. The club’s Givealittle page can be found at: [www.thamesmtb.club](http://www.thamesmtb.club)



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