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Daffodil Day 2025 is just around the corner on Friday 29 August. In Pauanui, co-ordinator Yana Silva, said that they will be accepting donations at the Pauanui Shopping Centre on Friday 29th and Saturday 30th August, from 9am both days. Fresh daffodils will be available for purchase, and all proceeds will go to Cancer Society NZ.

On the other side of the harbour, co-ordinator for Tairua, Ros Rundle, will be running a two-fold event with money being raised for the

Cancer Society and the local Tairua/Pauanui Care & Cancer Support Group.

Stalls will be set up in front of Tairua Four Square and outside Tairua Lotto & Stationery on Friday 29th. Ros has noted that many of us don't carry cash these days so there will be a scannable QR code at each site to help us purchase and donate on-the-go. Various local businesses will also have collection boxes for your donation, available all week, if you think you won't be around on Daffodil Day.

If you'd like to contribute produce, jams, and baked goods to be sold, please drop your items to the stall outside Four Square from 9am on Friday. Contact Michelle on 027 290 1507 for more info. If you would like to volunteer to help on a stall, or help pick daffodils in Cambridge, contact Ros on 021 108 9314.

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Short & Sweet

Our local Surf Life Saving Clubs were front and centre at the Eastern Region 'Awards of Excellence' recently. From Pauanui, Jock Rosie was awarded the BP Search and Rescue Contributor of the Year. From Tairua, Bella Muir won Coromandel Instructor of Year, Toby Low won U19 Life-guard of the Year and Gabriella Hughes was awarded a Regional Service Award! Club members enjoyed a great evening celebrating the successes of the Clubs and members over the last season. Congratulations to all who look after us on our beaches! You do a fantastic job! Thank you!

The Gold Rush Rally returns to the Coromandel on 23 August. The third round of the North Island Rally series is based in Whitianga and covers stages across the Peninsula. There will be a number of road closures at various times to allow the competitors to have safe access to some the best rally roads in the country. From Port Charles to the challenging Tapu-Coroglen road, this is an opportunity to see high-speed action at its best!

The Tairua Business Association's 'Buy Local' campaign saw its second fortnightly winning shopper drawn last week! Cheryl Smoothy was the lucky winner of Draw No 2. Cheryl won \$150 worth of vouchers from Manaia Kitchen & Bar, Tairua Superette, Tairua Super Liquor, Haus Blank, Dutchy's, Aarons Kitchen and All Things Organic! As a business owner, thanks to everyone who has been supporting businesses in Tairua through the Buy Local campaign! We appreciate your support! Draw number 3 takes place next week!

Short & Sweet

Powerco's electricity network supplies the Coromandel and in 2023 they launched a Community Fund to support initiatives within its network area. Money is available to community-driven projects that benefit the smaller towns in its region, and applications for this funding round are open now, till 31 August 2025. The funding is for projects that need to be delivered between October 2025 and April 2026. This would be ideal timing for running a Summer project/event. Powerco will be supporting up to \$5,000 per community project for those selected. Interested? Applications can be made via the Powerco website: <https://www.powerco.co.nz/what-we-do/community-partnerships/powerco-community-fund>.

Tairua Volunteer Fire Brigade is excited about its new recruits! Aidan Azar, Archer Easton and Max Van Doorn have been formally enrolled now that they have turned 16. Each comes with a background in surf life-saving, and/or search and rescue, and have already impressed with their enthusiasm and eagerness to learn, making them valuable additions from day one! Congratulations to these young men who are stepping up to share in protecting our community! May you serve with honour and integrity, and be protected at all times.

Tairua Fire Brigade is also delighted with the boost in funds provided by the Bill Boon Sideline Bucket Collection at the recent Swampfoxes versus Harlequins rugby match on Cory Park Domain. Nearly \$600 has been donated! A huge thank you goes out to all for their generosity. The funds will be used to help support their work.

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Volunteerism at its best

Last week, the small garden at the entrance to Tairua Print was trampled upon by persons unknown. I have to admit I did not notice the damage initially. Our attention was drawn to it when Ruth, who had tidied it up last summer, walked by and announced she would return and put it to rights.

The next day, she and Leonie turned up with new plants, mulch and tools and set about removing the ruined plants, pruning and weeding the salvageable ones, then planted a selection of new potted colour and set the garden up to recover. Then they moved on to Haus Blank's garden and worked on refurbishing that.

As they worked, a member of Residents and Ratepayers happened by and their attention turned to the blue planter box garden sponsored by TRRA, giving that a "once-over". So, in the space of

half an hour these two very community-minded ladies attended to three main street-front gardens, bringing life and beauty back to them!

Another great local initiative we have been alerted to has been quietly going on in the background for a number of years now. A small group of dedicated volunteers has been undertaking a roadside clean-up between Sailor's Grave and the north end of Tairua. Dressed in hi-vis vests and armed with sturdy rubbish sacks, they gather once a year, or when the need arises, to pick up the rubbish that is thrown on the roadsides by passing motorists. It's hard to believe that they collected a caged trailer full of rubbish on that stretch of highway alone!

This, to me, is volunteerism at its best! Unasked but entirely welcome! Don't you just love living and helping in this great community?



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