

**THIS WEEK**  
4 page issue!

# Tairua Pauanui The Local Advertiser



**WHAT'S YOUR SCORE?**  
Use the letters to make 4+ letter words

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## Your photos could be in Tairua's 2026 Calendar

This is what you've been waiting for...this is a call out to all the amateur photographers in town! It's time to enter Tairua Information Centre's Calendar Photo Competition!

This annual competition has resulted in beautiful and popular photographic calendars featuring the people and scenery of our great little town. So, now's the time to sort through the hundreds and hundreds of your images, or get out your camera and/or phone and start snapping!

This year's competition theme is all about the views of Tairua, to fit with the calendar title "Tairua on Show". The judges will be looking for the

images that best show the special and spectacular aspects of the town. Remember, there is a lot more to this place than Paku! Having said that, any creative shots of our maunga will be welcomed.

As in previous years, judges will select 14 images for the calendar. Each winner will receive a free calendar, and the person whose photo is chosen for the cover will receive a canvas print of their image, all courtesy of Tairua Print.

In the interests of high print quality, your photos need to be at least 4Mb, and landscape in orientation. You can send them via email (send as "Actual" to prevent the scaling down

of pixels) to Centre Manager Eve at: [admin@tairua.co.nz](mailto:admin@tairua.co.nz). Don't use any social media portals, or photos that have been uploaded to social media sites as they automatically downscale images for transmission and will not print well. These types of images will automatically exclude you from consideration based on file size - find the original photo in your Gallery or Photos app and email from there. Alternatively, you can drop your photos into Eve on a USB stick.

Each year, the proceeds from the calendar sales have been put back into the community. Both the hall annexe and Tairua Food Bank benefited from past calendar proceeds. This year's will be no different with the proceeds going to boost Tairua Information Centre (TIC) itself, as it moves forward

with securing a new location.

The Centre, an independent local organisation dependent on community funding to carry out its community and tourism duties, is currently based in a Council-owned building. With TIC's lease running out, without an option to renew, Eve and the Centre's committee have been looking at finding another location, and the current plans are for a new building on Pepe Reserve. Funds towards the purchase of a suitable "small house" type building are needed to progress this idea through to reality, so the calendar sales' boost will help immensely.

Because the Tairua Information Centre Calendars are so popular Eve hopes to have it published in time for Labour Weekend, so get your entries in by 3pm, Friday 10 October.

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## Our risk in the Big One

Thames Museum recently hosted the "Rūaumoko Restless Land" display, courtesy of Te Papa Museum. The earthquake display was put together to highlight the need to know what to do should the "Big One" hit.

On the Coromandel, our biggest threat is the Hikurangi Subduction Zone – an area off the East Coast. Research shows that if an earthquake of 9.1 magnitude struck in the Zone, the Peninsula could expect to face tsunami, landslide and liquefaction hazards and experience road closures, power outages and other infrastructure failures.

The Hikurangi Subduction Zone is potentially the largest source of earthquake and tsunami hazard in New Zealand making the Coromandel, a peninsula, a particular risk. A subduction zone is where a tectonic plate slips beneath another, in our case the Pacific Plate is sliding beneath the Australian Plate. Research indicates there is a one-in-four chance of a major Hikurangi Subduction Zone event in the next 50 years!

Now that we are a little more aware of potential risks we face, it is timely to consider what we do about it. "If it's

long or strong, get gone," is a well-known immediate response to an earthquake, but having a plan that takes into account the initial hazard impact plus ways to cope following it, is important.

Some great suggestions to survive such a disaster include giving thought to:

- Having a home emergency plan;
- Having a workplace emergency plan;
- Having a family communications plan to give peace of mind about your loved ones;
- Having resources (food, water, alternative toileting, communications, etc) on hand to last two weeks;
- Having enough medication to last two weeks.

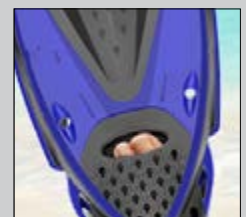
Community-wide, a plan has been developed too. Following the weather events of early 2023, local emergency response plans were drawn up and refined and a designated co-ordination centre at St Francis House on Main Road was identified for Tairua. In the event of a large hazard event, this is where our emergency response team will operate from. It will be supported by various groups to provide help where needed.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### UP-CLOSE *and personal*

Guess this up-close image of a personal item, and email your answers to: [tairua.print@xtra.co.nz](mailto:tairua.print@xtra.co.nz), or drop your answers into Tairua Print, 228 Main Rd.

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**C**abana Kitchen & Bar in Pauanui is hosting a fundraiser for Prostate Cancer on Saturday 18 October. Starting at 5.15pm, supporters will enjoy whiskey tasting, sharing platters, quick-fire raffles, live music and more! For catering purposes Sara and Jess at Cabana need to know who will be turning up so tickets need to be purchased in advance. Tickets cost \$70 and are available at Cabana.

**L**abour Weekend will see the return of Tairua Volunteer Fire Brigade's Firemen's Market, and organisers are taking stall bookings now. On Saturday 25 October from 9am to 1pm Tairua Fire Station will be hosting market stalls, sausage sizzle, mussel fritter stall, and raffles galore including a special prize donated by Hikua Quilters! Stalls are available for the morning, at \$20, by contacting Kim on 021 295 1189 or emailing: kacee.larsen@fireandemergency.nz. This is a major fundraiser for our local Brigade and all proceeds go towards acquiring state-of-the-art equipment not covered by Fire & Emergency NZ.

## Short &amp; Sweet

**S**cam alert: Anyone ringing to say they have identified problems with your computer equipment should be treated as a scammer! The reality is, no company pays their workers to sit and monitor your computer, phone or internet activity! When these scammers call you they sound plausible, even able to quote some of your personal details back to you to persuade you that they are legitimate. They offer to help by taking remote control of your computer. But beware! Following their directions will open you up to being hacked and your finances exposed! Simply hang up on them and ignore any further calls from them. Be vigilant!

**O**peration Christmas Child is concluding soon! If you have been filling your shoebox with gifts for the less privileged children around the world in this Christmas initiative, you need to get it back organiser Anna Murray in time for the international collection. Any last minute queries, contact Anna on 021 037 8371. In Pauanui, make contact with the Team at Pauanui Information Centre.

**T**airua Pauanui Coastguard is in the process of considering a new boatshed to accommodate the new vessel. The new building will be sited above the coastal inundation line directly behind the old shed, and the project will include beautification of the adjacent area on Royal Billy Point. Working with a consulting arborist, the committee is keen to enhance the site with pruning, relocating and replanting native coastal plants to complement the other 48 pohutukawa trees that exist in the area. Exciting news from a vital lifesaving organisation!

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