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### The Heritage Players gearing up to entertain us again

By Heritage Player writer and director, Auriol Farguhar

The Heritage Players are once more gearing up to perform their latest production, "When Tairua Rocked and Rolled - the 60s". The show is based on some of the events that happened in our little town in that decade - events that were to have a major impact on Tairua, both for locals and those people who come to holiday here.

The story is told with humour, some imaginary characters and situations, and

snatches of film, all laced with the Players' singers and a live band performing great songs from the era.

Some of you may have very fond memories of that time, some of you may have been living here, or coming to baches or to stay with family. If you were, there will be an opportunity for you to record some of those recollections.

The Heritage Society is compiling a small booklet on the period and any reminiscences that would add human interest to the facts and figures would be welcome. If

you aren't able to come to the show, but have contributions to add to such a publication, just drop into the Heritage Centre and let the volunteers know. We will be so grateful for whatever you can add.

Back to the show. This year the performances are at Tairua Community Hall on Thursday the 6th, Friday the 7th, and Saturday the 8th of November at 7.00pm. There is also a Matinee on Saturday the 8th at 1.30 pm. Tickets are \$26 from Tairua Information Centre. There are great raffle prizes for your \$5 ticket. Come early to the evening shows and hear local duo "Mirah". Book whichever table you want, bring your own refreshments,



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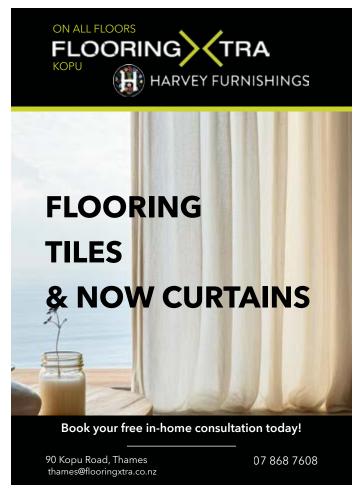


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## = Short & Sweet

The Tairua Firefighters' Market is this Saturday 25 October at Tairua Fire Station from 9am until 1pm. There will be market stalls, displays, food, the famous mussel fritters and a sausage sizzle. Brigade volunteers will be on site for you to meet and chat with. They will be happy to show the station and appliances while you're there. Take some extra cash to buy raffle tickets. Two beautifully handcrafted quilts gifted by the Hikuai Patchwork and Craft Group, make extra special prizes

auanui Community Church is holding its Church Fair this Labour Weekend Saturday in the Pauanui Sports & Recreation Hall, from 9am until noon. It's not too late to donate! If you have bric-a-brac items that you're willing to part with, take them along to the Rec Hall this Thursday or Friday. All money raised will be used to maintain the Community Church building. For more information contact Bruce on 027 864 8392 or Elizabeth on 021 139 8497.

o "Garaging" this Labour Weekend! On Saturday the 25th and Sunday the 26th, Tairua Heritage Society is holding its garage sale at the Heritage Centre at 223 Main Road, 8.30am to 2pm. Along with the variety of second hand goods, you can purchase Society books and merchandise (great Christmas gifts!) Also on Sunday, Tairua's Town Garage Sale is on from 8am till 1pm. Pick up a map, showing the addresses of the households involved, from Tairua Information Centre or Bayleys Real Estate. Check out page 7 of this Advertiser for more details of the above Garage Sales and others that are on in town.

## Short & Sweet

The Fishing Club's "Gull Classic" competition takes place on Saturday 8 November. The event marks the Bayden Williams Memorial event and the Williams family have sponsored the major prize of a Cobb Grill Combo BBQ for the Mystery Weight division. For details and entry contact Tairua Pauanui Sports Fishing Club by Friday 7 November.

airua Elim Church's "Light Party" is next week at Pepe Reserve on Friday 31 October. The afternoon fun starts at 4.30pm and runs until 6.30pm. The Church has run Light Parties for many years now as a safe family-orientated alternative to Halloween. All children and their families are invited to this free event. Popular attractions in the past, which are booked again, are the vertical bungy and ferris wheel. There will also be games and activities, and a sausage sizzle to take care of dinner. For more information, contact Marlene on 021 679 646.

ach owners, did you know that the Kopu-Hikuai road will be closed for a period of time next month, possibly affecting your plans? State Highway 25A will be closed from 8am to 5pm, Monday to Saturday, from November 10 until November 21. This is to allow major roadworks to be carried out on several sections of the road that require a total closure for safety reasons. Waka Kotahi's advice is to travel via SH25 through Whangamata and Waihi, or Coromandel and Thames. Outside the closed periods, the road will reopen under single lane and stop/go conditions so travellers should expect delays. The work is weather-dependent. Visit: www.nzta.govt.nz for information on planned projects.

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#### TAIRUA PAUANUI RETURNED AND SERVICES ASSOCIATION INC.

#### Notice of Extraordinary General Meeting

This Notice is to formally notify all members that an Extraordinary General Meeting will be held on November 6th at the Tairua Rugby Club Rooms at 3 p.m. to consider and adopt the new Constitution of the Tairua/Pauanui Returned and Services Association, and to rescind the Constitution dated September. 2016.

This change is to enable the RSA to comply with the requirements of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 in consultation with RNZRSA.



## PUBLIC NOTICE TO DREDGE THE TAIRUA MARINA ACCESS CHANNEL

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## "Introduction to Lawn Bowls" initiative a huge success

By Tairua Bowling Club committee member, Jessie Macaw

Tairua Bowling Club is celebrating the outstanding success of its recent "Introduction to Lawn Bowls" initiative, which saw 12 new members join the club over just two weeks — with many more locals continuing to come along and give the sport a try.

Designed to welcome newcomers of all ages and abilities, the program offered free coaching sessions, equipment, and a relaxed social environment to help people discover the fun and skill of lawn bowls. The result has been a surge of enthusiasm in the Tairua community, with the greens buzzing with activity and laughter over the fortnight.

Club Coach, Tim Preston, said the response exceeded all expectations. "We were blown away by how many people turned up to have a go — and how many have decided to stick around! It's fantastic to see new faces on the green and to share what makes bowls

such a great community sport," he said.

Participants praised the friendly atmosphere and the Club's welcoming spirit. For many, it was their first time trying the game, but the supportive coaching and social vibe made it an easy and enjoyable introduction.

With the influx of new members and ongoing interest, Tairua Bowling Club plans to continue hosting casual open days and social bowling evenings throughout the season.

"We're thrilled to see the club growing," said President Brian Thompson. "Bowls is about fun, strategy, and friendship — and it's never too late to start."

Anyone keen to give lawn bowls a go is welcome to come along on a Friday evening from 5pm to meet the members, enjoy a meal, and experience the Club's friendly atmosphere. Tairua Bowling Club also runs regular coaching sessions — keep an eye on the club's Facebook page for upcoming dates.

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#### 2026 Tairua calendar launches

The 2026 Tairua Information Centre Calendar, containing the 14 winning images from the recent competition, is being launched this week. The judges have had a particularly difficult task this year with a record number of outstanding photos being submitted. A comment made was that entrants were more focussed on composition and the theme than ever before. The chosen images each have something special that set them apart and the photographers can be very proud of their work.

The winning photographers this year are Rhiannon Callander, Lyn Dallison, Melanie Dunn, Marion Giwi, Megan Heath, Gabriella Hughes, Chris Langevad, Brent Manssen, Ian Rainbow, Eve Roper, Dennis Rundle, Ros Rundle, and David Rushforth. All winners receive a free copy of the calendar.

Marion Giwi took top honours, with her photo "Magic Maunga Pāku" selected as the cover image. Marion will also receive a large canvas print of her image.

Tairua Print has been in full production since the winners were selected and the calendars will be on sale from this week onwards at Tairua Information Centre. The calendars are \$25 each, the same price as last year. Proceeds from the sale of calendars will be going towards the Information Centre's building project, an essential as the lease on the current Library space is now limited.

These calendars make ideal Christmas gifts for family and friends who are not fortunate enough to live here! Get in early to ensure you can mail them overseas in time for Christmas.

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CONGRATULATIONS to COVER PHOTO WINNER, Marion Giwi, for her photo entitled "Magic Maunga Pāku". Congratulations to all 13 other winners. Thank you to everyone who entered the competition.

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