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Tairua River Trail developments and fundraiser

Excitement is rising! Another major attraction for our area is gathering momentum. Work on the Tairua River Trail is now progressing on both banks of the Tairua River!

Hikuai District Trust member, Donna Brooke, explained that about a kilometre of track is being established on the Tairua side of the river starting at Tanner's mill, heading towards Tairua. Eventually the River Trail will link Pauanui and Tairua, crossing the river on a spectacular suspension bridge.

As the work grows, so does the need for donations to support it. To ensure the River Trail progress stays on track, a unique fundraising event has been planned for Saturday 29 November 2025. Cabana Kitchen & Bar in Pauanui and Manaia Kitchen & Bar in Tairua will simultaneously host a "Wild About Nature" event.

Guests will enjoy live music at each location, a shared live-stream linking both venues for a truly connected experience, a joint live auction, raffles and spot prizes throughout the evening, and, not unexpectedly, delicious food offerings from canapés to walk-'n'-fork platters!

Some of the auction lots include a handcrafted Core Steel bird sculpture, a private

Artist's impression of the bridge that will link both banks of the Tairua River.



five-course dinner with paired drinks for 8 guests hosted by Sara and Jess from Cabana, and a fishing charter with drinks and nibbles supplied by Manaia!

Only 80 tickets are available at each venue, for \$80 each. \$60 from each ticket purchase goes directly to the Tairua River Trail. They are going to be selling quickly so don't

miss out. Call in at Cabana or Manaia to secure yours.

"The theme, 'Wild About Nature', reflects both the beauty of our local environment and the passion of our community in bringing the river trail dream to life," said Donna. The organisers would love to see you dress up in theme for this very special fundraiser!

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Pontoon in place for summer

Over Labour Weekend the new 'Pontoon on the Pepe' was opened to the public. This project by Tairua Residents & Ratepayers Association (TRRA) was conceived of and implemented with little fanfare or fuss. A "Give-a-little" page was set up for supporters to donate to and the target was quickly reached and production went ahead in time for the 'start of summer' launch.

For the many locals and visitors over the weekend who took the opportunity to check out the pontoon, members of TRRA were stationed on Pepe Reserve to hand out celebration sausages and commemorative certificates for those who ventured out to be among the first to jump from it.

As we acknowledge the

approaching replacement of the old Pepe Bridge, and all the summer fun to be had jumping from it, it is timely that we will still be able to frolic in the nearby waters.

Pontoon users, however, need to be aware that diving from it is not recommended due to the fluctuating tidal depths. It is strictly a jumping platform, for your safety's sake. Parents need to be on hand for small children and learner swimmers who may not be able to cope with tidal flow and distance from shore. It is a community amenity that is not patrolled, so "user beware" is the rule of thumb.

'Well done' Tairua Residents & Ratepayers Association! Great vision and management! You have provided us with a fantastic new asset!



'Pontoon on the Pepe' is now open to the public, just in time for summer.

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The works will be completed over a maximum of 8 working days through to **11th November 2025**. Care should be taken when navigating the channel and boat ramp area as machinery will be operating. Please make eye contact with the operators when passing.

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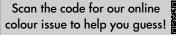
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Short & Sweet

airua Elim Church's "Light Party" takes place at Pepe Reserve this Friday, 31 October, from 4.30pm until 6.30pm. This is familyfocussed, free, fun event with plenty of games and activities to keep the children active and engaged. There will be a vertical bungy for the daring, a Ferris wheel for the small children, a sausage sizzle BBQ for all the family, and sweet treats for everyone! Planned as a safe and fun alternative to Halloween, it is a popular and well-supported event.

Tairua Information Centre's (TIC) 2026 calendar is now on sale at the Centre. These calendars feature the photography of locals, resulting in a stunning selection of images that really put "Tairua on Show." Calendars cost \$25 with all proceeds going to the TIC building fund.

ext week the Tairua Heritage Players will be performing their new show "Tairua Swings: 60s Rock and Roll" at Tairua Community Hall. There are three evening shows on Thursday, Friday and Saturday and a Saturday matinee at 1.30pm. Tickets are on sale at Tairua Information Centre for \$26 a seat. Ticket holders are invited to dress up in theme. Raffle tickets will be on sale for \$5 giving three chances at great prizes.

The Pink Ribbon stall in Tairua recently was very successful. Co-Ordinator Gabrielle Maxwell reported that the sales and donations raised \$997.70. She would like to thank all who contributed by buying from the stall, the helpers who manned the stall and those who provided the baking, preserves, flowers and garden produce. The raised funds have been forwarded to Breast Cancer Foundation NZ.

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SATURDAY 22 NOVEMBER at 8.30 A.M.

TAIRUA RUGBY & SPORTS CLUB INC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Tairua Rugby & Sports Club Inc will be held in the Clubrooms on **Monday 10th November 2025 at 6:00pm**

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