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Match winners, season champions

Played in atrocious weather, Tairua took on a spirited Te Aroha Cobras team in the final of the Thames Valley Senior B rugby competition in Thames on Saturday afternoon. Co-coach Johnny Hale, in the lead up to the game, said the team was expecting a hard game, "It is finals rugby, after all!" And a hard one they got!

With a 12.30pm start time, a contingent of Tairua stalwarts had gathered to cheer the team on from the sideline of a field that looked well-prepared but was sodden by the earlier downpours of the morning.

The game started on time with a strong sou'wester

blowing across the field, Tairua playing into it for the first half. Despite the wind, the initial exchanges belonged to Tairua, Cobras only being able to answer with long kicks downfield. The first try and conversion after 15 minutes saw Tairua out to a 7-0 lead.

Cobras then staged a comeback of sorts with the balance of possession going to and fro, often exposing Tairua in set play and stealing the ball against the throw at lineouts. However, Tairua was never out of contention and scored another try wide out just on half time, going to the break 12-0.

Back after a bleak break, with showers that lashed in with regularity, the play favoured Tairua and another converted try, pretty much in front of the posts, took the score out to 19-0.

One could have thought that Cobras might have capitulated at that point but when a couple of infractions on both sides saw players sin-binned, and players replaced as they tired, Cobras showed a renewed burst of energy and scored two unconverted tries in succession to close the score to 19-10!

With the game into the last 10 minutes, tempers were getting tested and one Cobras infraction resulted in a penalty to Tairua out in front, 22-10. This was followed by the final

nail in the coffin, a bullocking try and easy conversion from Tairua, taking the game and the Senior B championship again, 29-10! Unbeaten all season!

Despite the weather and Tairua's overall superiority the game was not one-sided! Cobras were worthy finals opponents who were supported sideline by a vocal group, two young women in particular, who provided an amusing commentary of the game. Their excitement and enthusiastic comment, "we've never gotten this close!" summed up the spirit of the game and their gracious acceptance of a finals loss.

Well done to all members of the Tairua Team! You have done us proud.

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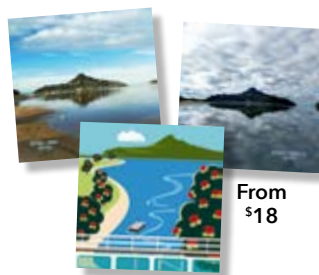
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The pace is picking up!

Progress on Tairua's Pepe Bridge replacement is speeding up! Since the "official" launch of the project on 7 July, after the two months of enabling work, the scope of the project is starting to be revealed. In the past week bigger and bigger machines have been arriving in town to carry out the heavy work.

Last week, for example, a large 120-tonne crane was transported in, followed by its jib assembly, and by the end of the day the rig was complete and ready for action. One of its first tasks was to demolish the old footbridge before starting on the piling for the first lane of the two-lane bridge.

The piling, starting this week, will be done in bursts of 2 to 4 days at a time, on weekdays between 7am and 5pm, through to early September. We have been warned that this process will create noise and vibration, mostly noticeably closest to the site.

Pedestrian and cycling access is now on the other side of the bridge. Care is needed when crossing Pepe Road to the pedestrian refuge, before crossing Main Road, and with the new layout and road crossing at the Pepe Road end. We have had reports of dogs, out on walks, showing nervousness when walking on the see-through mesh footbridge.

The first lane of the new bridge, along with its shared path for pedestrians and cyclists, is expected to be completed by the end of the year. Then, the old bridge will be demolished and the temporary footpath dismantled, making way for the second lane and footpath to be constructed.

With the pace picking up and the removal of the jumping-off bridge, now would be a great time to get yourself a commemorative tea towel! Drop into Tairua Information for yours. You'll be helping their fundraising efforts too!



Going...



Going...



Gone!

The old footbridge is no more; the pace is picking up!

Short & Sweet

The Hikuai Patchwork and Craft Group is having an exhibition at St Francis House, Tairua on Saturday 1 August from 9.30am. Many, varied, and exquisitely detailed quilts will be on display. Of particular note, will be a special quilt that has been made for presentation to Tairua St John to be raffled off as a fundraiser. Entry is by gold coin.

The "Great New Zealand Toastie Takeover" comes to an end on 20 August, with voting for your People's Choice favourites to be received before 5 August! Johnny's Tairua is taking part with their "Johnny Melt", and in the interests of supporting local, you might like to try one and rate it. Get yours and then cast your votes online at <https://www.toastietakeover.com>.

TCDC's Coastal protection survey aims to incorporate your experiences of severe weather and flooding in and around our area, alongside the technical and scientific investigations already underway, to build a clearer picture of what's happening on the ground. Your responses will help guide future discussion on potential options for coastal protection and will enable TCDC to explore fair, affordable ways to fund it. Returns must be completed and submitted by 13 August. Access the survey at: www.tcdc.govt.nz/tairuacoastal.

How's your knowledge of Tairua's history? Kudos to Tairua Heritage Society for their informative and interesting Facebook posts, which not only give historical fact, but add personal glimpses of the lives of past and present locals. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/p/Tairua-Heritage-Society> to read the stories of our rich heritage.

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Tairua Business Association looking to the future

Tairua Business Association (TBA) recently held its AGM and celebrated its fourth year of operation. Under the guidance of business stalwarts, Peter Hunt (chair) and Matt Juby (treasurer) the Association has grown in membership to include almost all businesses in the shopping precinct, due in no small part to the successful Buy Local campaign they have introduced to town. A real feather in the TBA cap is the fact that the model for Tairua's Buy Local campaign has now been copied by all but one business association on the Peninsula!

As the Association has endeavoured to add resilience to local business, a "Business After 5" (BA5) opportunity has been offered for local businesses to hear from experts on a number of issues. The highlight of the AGM this year was the BA5 held before it, featuring

Waikato Regional Council chair, Warren Maher. Warren spoke about the business opportunities afforded through collective voices. Covering a great range of instances of how he sees this working, the biggest obstacle for local business Warren identified to be hurdled was roading reliability and resilience. His encouragement to local business was to present costed scenario to the relevant responsible roading organisations, to emphasise the impact of inaccessible roading networks.

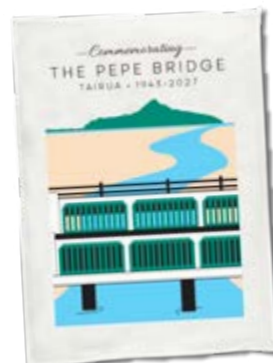
As a TBA member, it was heartening to have the existing committee stand for re-election again this year. A measure of commitment to continuing their good work. Like all planful groups, TBA has identified growing its membership to include all business entities in town, with a focus over the next year of involving our tradies.

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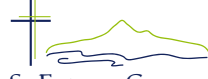
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