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The Pepe Bridge replacement continues to advance

The first 8 piles are now in position for the new bridge lane and shared path. Site contractor, Fulton Hogan, will now be building pier crossheads and concrete abutments for the new bridge. Much of this work will be taking place below the level of the existing bridge barriers, so will be missed by motorists driving through. Once the piers and abutments have been completed, the precast concrete bridge beams will be trucked in and put in place. They are expected to be in position by late November.

Once the new lane and shared path are in use, the old bridge and temporary footpath will be removed early next year.

The construction site shuts down for the Christmas-New Year holiday period from 18 December with the crew returning in January.

Summertime traffic management over the single lane Pepe Bridge will be like any other year. It will operate under priority give-way over the holiday period, with traffic management in place over the peak period, as in previous years.

The bridge replacement project continues to impact the community in positive ways. Tairua Art Group's Exhibition in St Francis House at Labour Weekend was a huge success. Entitled "Echoes of Pepe Bridge: Farewell to Tairua's Old Crossing", the pieces on display varied in media, technique and interpretation, and showcased the depth of the group's combined skill level. Spokesperson, Sue Foster, was pleased to see a large number of visitors connecting with the various artworks due to the topical nature of the theme. The artists have committed to donating the proceeds of the Show to Tairua Food Bank.

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TAIRUA GARDEN CLUB
NEXT MEETING
Monday 9 Nov, 1.30pm
Tairua Golf & Country Club
Guest Speaker - bring along an unwanted Christmas decoration to be donated to the Thames Hospice Shop
The start of a **'Lily Bulb Growing Competition'** - Bulbs to be given out at this meeting
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A word from our local constabulary

Kia Ora Koutou,

Labour weekend brought plenty of work into our area, dealing with fights, assaults, property damage, vehicle crashes and driving complaints. We also observed plenty of good behaviour, with most visitors enjoying their getaway to the beach with their families and friends without any dramas.

On the Friday afternoon Police stumbled across a verbal altercation at the south end of Pauanui beach. It was established a dog had killed a seagull and bystanders were subsequently giving the owners their thoughts without a filter. We were able to mediate the situation by giving appropriate advice about dogs being kept under control, or on a lead. We also recognised that the owner did not intend for this to happen and it was a situation outside of her control and she shouldn't have been subject to verbal abuse. If you see any incidents of a breach of the by-law or wildlife being killed, we encourage witnesses to phone TCDC or DOC who will make the appropriate follow up. Recording down vehicle registration details along with a description of the dog can help with these follow up enquiries.

We responded to the sudden death of a 65-year-old US Citizen in Tairua after he was found by his friend on the bathroom floor. The matter has been referred to the Coroner.

Multiple infringements were given out to drivers towing boats who allowed passengers to ride in the boat while being towed. In past years we have given 'education' a go, followed by 'warnings' but this did not seem to change the culture, so we have therefore started cracking down with a zero-tolerance approach. The word seemed to spread quickly with plenty of attitude to go with it. The same applies to passengers being carried on the tray of a ute, so if we catch you, you can expect a fine of $150 for each passenger allowed to ride in a dangerous position. Some of you might think this is unfair but unless we gain compliance it is only a matter of time until someone is seriously injured.

Organised crime and drug dealing continue to be a big focus on our approach to Policing, considering the flow on effect this has in our communities. We encourage anyone with information to come forward in confidence knowing that their identity will be kept anonymous and confidential. Alternatively, you can also give information to: crimestoppers-nz.org.

Stay safe,
Nga Mihi
Dylan and Tim

PUBLIC NOTICES

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 16th November 2026 at 6:00pm

Agenda:
1. Adoption of Annual Reports
2. Election of Officers
3. Special resolution for Life Membership
4. General Business

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One of the larger exhibiters was the Tairua Residents and Ratepayers Association (TRRA), promoting the purchase and installation of water tanks for residential properties. On display were a selection of water tanks, featuring connections and tapware.

The display was particularly relevant because we are entering unfamiliar weather territory this summer. We have been told to expect, and prepare for, unpredictable, dry and windy conditions. As most of our homes rely on mains power and a reticulated water supply, we know that these services are not always guaranteed! Add to that the summer population boost and water restrictions loom large on the horizon.

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