THIS WEEK 4 page issue!

Tairua Pauanui The Local Advertiser

Website: www.tairuaadvertiser.nz

18th November 2026 Phone: +64 7 864 8170 Email: tairua.advertiser@xtra.co.nz Volume 26 Number 46

WHAT'S YOUR SCORE?

Use the letters to make 4+ letter words

G	M	U
E	R	A
B	H	R

Beat Barry's 26. *Words must contain the middle letter. Plurals OK if "S" is in the grid.* ***Barry's answers online, under "Issues"***

Tales of Tairua's history brought to life

The Tairua Heritage Players have brought our history to life. Their show, "Tales of Tairua", written and directed by Auriol Farquhar, showcased events in Tairua's past wrapped up in large doses of humour and wonderful sing-a-long toe-tapping music.

The area's history was presented in novel and entertaining ways on stage. Interspersed with video footage, we got to see, and imagine, aspects of historical importance through fresh and different interpretations.

For those who took in the one of the four night performances, we were left with both a better understanding of what the founding families got up to and indelible images of their portrayal by the cast members! Who will be able to forget Rowena Brown riding her hobby horse, when they meet her in the Information Centre from now on? And who will be able to forget Rocky Blucher in her fitness outfit when we see her next, weilding her weed eater? Hilarious fun! Great memories!

My personal pick of the night was the rendition of "Tairua – Jewel by the Sea" led by Jackie Francis. From the moment Jackie opened her mouth to sing, the audience was captured. A beautiful rendition of a wonderful song!

Of special note, too, were the children taking part this year. Charlie and Finley Moss and Ruby Hughes were confident additions to the Heritage Players! Watching them relax into their roles, their stage presence grew as the show proceeded. And, of course, stalwart Nathan Midwinter, a steady yet versatile anchor, always manages to up the show towards a professional outcome.

History is so often seen as dull and boring. It was great to have witnessed our local history come to life in such an engaging and humorous show. All credit to Auriol for writing and directing (and looking after the stage lighting!) "Tales of Tairua," the cast of actors and singers for all the energy they put into it, the talented musicians who provided the soundtrack, and the stage crew who kept the scenes changing and the show on track! Bravo!!



Pat Lee looks on as Rowena Brown enters stage right.

SERVICES

Air Conditioning and Electrical

TAIRUA ELECTRICAL

✓ Air Conditioning/Heat Pumps - Fujitsu and Mitsubishi Accredited Installer

✓ Electrical Installations

Phone Graeme 021-893 908

ArborCuts TREE SERVICES

QUALIFIED ARBORISTS

ALL Treework & Landscaping
Fruit trees • Hedges • Chipping • Consultations

Call/Txt Jon 021 405 555
jon@arborcuts.co.nz

CANVAS PRINTS

INC COLLAGE PRINTS

your photos on canvas, as **single image or collage style.**

tairua.print@xtra.co.nz
07 864 8170

D.R. DECORATORS

PAINTING SERVICES



Ph Dave Ray 021 798 768

All Plumbing Works



• Repairs • Maintenance • Renovations
• Hot Water • Pumps & Tanks • Toilets
• Disposals • Topware • Filters

24/7 EMERGENCY SERVICE

021 090 16570

T.J. Clarke Plumbing

CALENDARS

PERSONALISED WITH YOUR PHOTOS

tairua.print@xtra.co.nz



CHRIS JONES
027 290 9442

Trusted
Reliable
Experienced

Electrical Laser

For all your Electrical Needs Including
- Underfloor
- Heat Pumps
- Solar

Phone: 07 865 9309
whangamata@laserelectrical.co.nz

SERVICES

Evergreen
Tree & Garden
QUALIFIED ARBORIST
Tree Work
Pruning/Removal
Hedge Trimming
Landscaping
022 060 8020

Fibre Broadband
Reliable Local
Support and Service
For all your Internet Needs
GOTAIRUA
www.gotairua.co.nz

GLASS / GLAZING
Tairua - Pauanui
All repairs including aluminium joinery
Cat doors installed
Ph Brian Hart
027 660 9746

Inder Lynch
LAWYERS
Pukekohe Papakura Manukau
LOCAL SERVICE AVAILABLE NOW
ALL AREAS OF LAW
Contact Anne Todd
Phone: 09 299 8550
Mobile: 021 961 547
Web: www.inderlynch.co.nz

MacHeath BUILDING SOLUTIONS
• 35 years of experience
• LBP Registered
Fences / Decks / Small Renos
Interior Finishing on New Builds
Ph Darrin 027 786 4691
macheathbuild@gmail.com

SERVICES

PIVOTAL
- GAS & PLUMBING LTD -
20+ years experience
Servicing Coromandel areas
New Zealand family business
Trustworthy & honest team
021 814 879
www.pivotalnz.com

REACH 'N' CLEAN
- **Exterior house soft wash**
- **Roof, Gutter, Solar Panels**
- **Window Cleaning**
- **Water Blasting**

Call Frank 021 254 2810
www.reachnclean.co.nz

NEW LOCAL BUSINESS
SHORE POWER ELECTRICAL
NOT NEW TO THE TRADE!
- Solar & Battery Solutions
- Underfloor heating Installs
- Heat Pump Installs
- Renovations & New Builds
- Maintenance & Repairs
- A/Hrs Emergency Call Outs

Phone Josh 027 211 9308

STICKERS & LABELS
Send us your ChatGPT Christmas sticker design and we'll print them!
tairua.print@xtra.co.nz

TAIRUA
STORAGE
PACKING BOXES FOR SALE
SHELVING UNITS FOR SALE
Ph 07 864 8788
0274 832 129

SERVICES

TILER "Professional Tiling Services" All aspects wall & floor tiling, complete bathroom renovations. Phone Rob Pierce 022 408 4136.

VISA & PASSPORT PHOTOS

Tairua Print 228 Main Rd



Sublimation Printing using your images
Check out our
NEW PRODUCTS
just in time for Christmas



30 piece wooden jigsaw puzzles with your photo usually $25
INTRODUCTORY OFFER $20
Offer until Nov 30, 2026

Wooden placemat 32cm x 23cm with your photo usually $25
INTRODUCTORY OFFER $20
Offer until Nov 30, 2026



TAIRUA PRINT
228 MAIN ROAD . 07 864 8170 . tairua.print@xtra.co.nz

SERVICES

WINDOW DRESSINGS
- Blinds
- Drapes
- Shutters

Free Measure & Quote
www.windowdressings.co.nz
021 238 9490

WINDOW WASHING
CLEAR VIEW WINDOWS
JON 021 059 6012

SERVICES

ON ALL FLOORS
FLOORING XTRA
KOPU



BOOK YOUR FREE IN-HOME CONSULTATION TODAY

90 Kopu Road THAMES
07 868 7608
quotes.thames@flooringxtra.co.nz

tile warehouse
for design inspiration

Kerry Aitken Solutions
MARRIAGE CELEBRANT
& LIFE CELEBRATIONS
LOVER OF PEOPLE, EXPERIENCED
& PASSIONATE
kerryaitkensolutions@gmail.com
027 475 4146

personalised
CERAMIC TILES



YOUR PHOTOS
AS FEATURE TILES
OR GREAT GIFTS!
150 x 150mm (6"x6")
From $20

tairua PRINT
07 864 8170
tairua.print@xtra.co.nz

A call to take El Niño seriously

If you didn't know, we are experiencing the early stages of an El Niño summer. This particular El Niño is predicted to be one of the most severe, due to the highest rises in ocean temperatures on record. In a nutshell, the El Niño conditions over the next few months will be higher than normal temperatures and less than normal rainfall. Hotter and drier!

Here on the Coromandel these conditions will put stress on our water supply, increase the risk of wildfires and possibly impact our roading network (heavy rain, slips and road closures can still occur). Add to the weather conditions the season influx of visitors and things look a little grim!

But all is not lost! The key to getting through such situations is to be prepared, early. The recent Resilience Expo showed a good range of ideas to help mitigate the most severe civil defence emergencies. All had a focus on preparation. From standby water tanks to understanding the work our local Community Response Group (CRG) will do in an emergency, the options require our engagement. Planning for the worst is a daunting prospect to many of us but approaching it in an orderly and prioritised way makes it manageable.

Start by checking your water situation, your emergencies supplies and your evacuation kit. Work out a household plan (and this includes your pets!) for what you will do to survive where you are, and where and how you will go if you have to evacuate. In such situations the CRG will be based in St Francis House and will be responsible for coordinating the town's effort to cope. At the neighbourhood level we should be in contact with each other, supporting and assisting wherever we can.

Thames Coromandel District Council's "Vulnerable Communities Hīkoi" held a meeting at Tairua Fire Station last Thursday to enlighten the community to the dangers we will be facing this summer. This was in partnership with Fire and Emergency NZ (FENZ). The firemen outlined the danger of wildfires in the area and the lengths to which FENZ goes to combat them. If you live close to bush, keeping a cleared area around buildings, keeping growth at low levels and clearing gutters regularly decreases your fire risk.

Don't be overwhelmed this summer, be prepared!

PUBLIC NOTICES

St Francis Church
WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sunday
9.30am Worship
Fellowship & Morning Tea
Tues, Thurs & Sat
Op Shop open
9.30am – 1pm

Enquiries 07 864 8727
or 021 0275 6807
Main Road Tairua
stfrancistairua.com

PUBLIC NOTICES

OUT NOW!
2027 Tairua Calendar



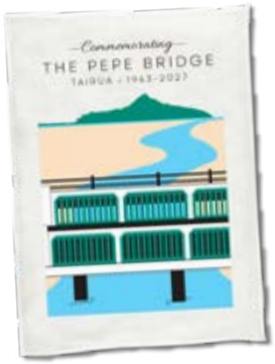
$25 - Tairua Information Centre

PUBLIC NOTICES

GET A MEMORY OF OUR ICONIC BRIDGE!

THE COMMEMORATIVE

PEPE BRIDGE TEA TOWEL



100% COTTON
HIGH QUALITY
VIVID COLOUR

FOR SALE @ TAIRUA INFORMATION CENTRE
$25 each

Thank you for supporting the Centre's fundraising venture



SOUVENIR TOTE BAGS

"Tairua ABCs" - images from the Summer Book
Poly canvas • 37cm x 37cm • $18 each



TAIRUA PRINT • 228 MAIN ROAD • 07 864 8170 • tairua.print@xtra.co.nz

PUBLIC NOTICES

If you want to drink, that's your business.
If you want to stop, we can help.
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
027 284 0849

Would you like to help out at our annual CHRISTMAS LUNCH?
Please come to a meeting on Thursday 26 November 10am at Pepe Grande
Ps Marlene & Nico
07 864 8762 or 021 679 646.

tairua PRINT
Life in the Printed Word
OPEN AGAIN ON SATURDAYS
A: 228 Main Road, TAIRUA
P: + 64 7 864 8170
E: tairua.print@xtra.co.nz

Elim
CHURCH TOGETHER
INCLUDING ELIM KIDS PROGRAM
NEW VENUE & TIME
Sundays 11.30am
at St Francis Church
Music
CONNECT TOGETHER
LITTLIES, PARENTS, CAREGIVERS
Tuesdays 10am
St Francis House
DURING SCHOOL TERM
PHONE 864 8762
PS. NICO & MARLENE PRINSLOO

FREE

CURTAIN pull rods, new, clear acrylic, two sets of 2. Text Keri 021 216 1528.

HEALTH

Pauanui / Tairua Physiotherapy Clinics

Robert Lindsay
Dip.Phty (Otago), ADP (OMT), Dip.MT.

Fully Qualified
Manipulative & Orthopaedic Physiotherapist
Co-author of "Treat Your Own Shoulder"

Back & Neck Pain
Hand & Upper Limb Injuries
Rehabilitation following Orthopaedic Surgery
Acupuncture

Pauanui Medical Centre & Tairua Medical Centre
Ph. 027 600 8801

TAIRUA PAUANUI CARE & CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

WE ARE HERE FOR EVERYONE

In Pauanui, contact:
Sandie Nunn
027 202 9238 or
Gaylene Wilson
027 468 0466

In Tairua, contact:
Alison Fraser
021 167 4876 or
Michelle McLean
027 290 1507

PHYSIO
Synergy. Joel. 021 587 262
www.onlinephysio.nz

Back: InLine
CLINICAL EXCELLENCE
• chiropractic • massage • yoga

Now open
4 days a week
in Tairua

backinline.co.nz
022 369 8039