



Betty Nelley, a people's person

Talking with Betty, ex CEO of the Kauri Museum, it becomes clear that she values the QSM award mainly because she believes that it is really the result of "People working together for the good of the community."

Betty came to the Matakōhe Kauri Museum from a strong farming background and has experience in a range of rural activities in Northland. She feels that this background laid a strong foundation for her work at the Museum.

It was 19 years ago that she was first employed as a Registrar, a position that gave her the responsibility for registering all of the Museum's extensive collection.



Betty then went on to be Collection Manager, her responsibilities including displaying the collection and the archives. It was her care for the collection that lead her to push for the sprinkler system that is now in place, fire being one of the museum's (and the wider community's) greatest fears.

Recognising the approaching depression of the 90s the Board was proactive in taking steps to alleviate the effects of the downturn in the economy. They engaged Betty as Curator, then Chief Executive Officer. However, Betty's focus remained much the same - an intention to support and develop the Museum.


Part of her success in this was consistent and constant emphasis on superlative customer

service, something that Betty herself has always displayed both in her Museum work and her wider community work. Each employee's contract included this vital ingredient: an agreement that their service would exceed the customer's expectation.

It is this aspect that Betty is particularly proud of, although other successes were bringing ANZAC Day into the Museum, being the first Museum in the world to be carbon neutral, winning the National award for Innovation and Technology, along with many other Tourism awards. Throughout our interview Betty reiterated that this QSM award is the result of many people's efforts and wants us to recognise that this honour could have gone to so many others similarly involved in the Museum or wider community.

Betty's efforts are now focused on continuing her own superlative customer service in her new role as Tour Coach Guide for Grand Pacific Tours, the biggest coach company in New Zealand. Her next challenge will be guiding her group on a 19-day tour from the top of New Zealand all the way to Dunedin. Having already completed several of these we know that she will continue to make every tourist's experience worthwhile.

An awesome job and a great reward for years of hard work.

Ka pai, Betty 

Wake up to Weeds workshop

Northland Regional Council will be running one of its popular weed workshops in Paparoa this year.

Pencil in Monday 27 July to come along to the Paparoa War Memorial Hall. Workshops are three hours, either 9-12pm or 1-4pm. The workshops are fun, free and a good start to getting behind the movement to leave this world less weedy than we found it.

Biosecurity specialist Sara Brill has a fun, interactive, hands-on method for helping people get to grips with what these weeds are and how to eradicate them.

For more information or to book your spot call Sara on 09 470 1162.



Cherry trees need to be removed

Following a community meeting held recently regarding the fate of the cherry trees, it has been confirmed by NRC that all the existing cherry trees in the village are of a self-seeding variety and should be removed to protect our native environment.

Those planted on the highway grass verge have already been removed and all remaining trees will be removed as soon as possible.

For those who still doubt that they DO self seed, the evidence can be seen in the garden on Skeltons' property in the village where there are several large seedlings which were NOT planted but have just appeared. Many young seedlings have had to be constantly removed from the Village Green by Keep Paparoa Beautiful. A decision is yet to be made on replacements.



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Te Radar: a man for all seasons ... planting day success

They came, they saw, they planted. Like a cluster of 'radar-guided' missiles. More than 40 volunteers from around Maungaturoto and beyond arrived at Karen and Ashley Cullen's Bickerstaffe Road farm. Their mission: to plant more than 1,500 trees along the banks of a stream which leads to the harbour from an area of QE II covenanted bush further back on the farm.

Ashley Cullen said it was amazing what a bunch of enthusiastic people could achieve in just a few hours. "We really appreciate everyone's help. We picked a great day with the weather, and what made it extra special was having Te Radar join in". And join in he did.

This wasn't a multi-media star cruising about looking for adulation. This was Radar with a spade in his hand planting trees alongside everyone else and being great company.

Te Radar is obviously someone with an affinity for the land, and he was happy to lend his support to Otamatea HarbourCare's planting day: "I really enjoy getting out in the country," he said, "and getting amongst rural people, and

planting alongside a farm waterway was a great way to do it". And it wasn't just a chance for everyone to meet Te Radar, it was also a chance for neighbours and friends to catch up and meet some new people at the same time.

Otamatea HarbourCare secretary and organiser Mark Vincent met Te Radar at the Warkworth A&P Show earlier this year and invited him to attend a planting. "I was surprised and delighted when he not only said yes, but immediately named a date. We got an added bonus when Saturday 6 June dawned clear, bright and sunny – after



Te Radar on the job -
"I'm a man who calls a spade
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a week of rain that had made the ground perfect for digging and planting." HarbourCare has already started thinking about who next year's planting day celebrity guest might be.

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Lions Change of Officers

The new Paparooa Lions Committee for the 2015-16 year was inducted at the Change of Officers evening held in June.



Back row from left: Barry Baines, Stephen Seager, Wayne Birt, Pete Hames, Graham Donald

Front row from left: Ken Chambers, Alistair Banks, Mark Pilkington, Bryce Cullen, President Bryan Walker.

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Lifestyle Village progress

The Steering Committee for Paparoa's biggest venture in recent times has been consulting with a number of sectors of the community to get feedback on the proposal.

As a result, Wayne Birt, the committee's surveyor, has been able to make some minor changes to the Scheme Plan. The proposed village contains a cluster of 14 small lots centred on a landscaped garden. All are on level ground with pedestrian access to Franklin Road.

Also included in the overall proposal are an additional 15 large residential lots with individual titles. The total development area is approximately 9.8 hectares which will allow plenty of room for future expansion.

The Scheme Plan will be released to the public once a range of potential contractors and service providers have been consulted. Committee member Pete Hames said that there is still a lot of work to do and we want to have our facts and figures correct before going public. However there appears to be interest from people looking for properties and finding the east coast too expensive. Paparoa could offer an ideal lifestyle choice for those people.

G Taylor,
Chair Steering Group

Speakers at Lions evening



At the recent Paparoa Lions Change of Officers evening, Rita Hames and Samantha Allen delighted those present with their stories and photos of two weeks in Nepal.

They took part in an annual 'Youth to Everest' trip for young people; and were deeply impressed by the poverty of the people in the mountains and of their gentle and friendly ways.

An experience of a lifetime for sure.

Otamatea Community Services

Operating under dual team leadership with a team manager and an accounts officer, Otamatea Community Services is open 9am to 3pm daily 'for help and support', or 'for company and conversation'.

Services include free counselling with male or female counsellors, budget advice, parent coaching, and family support. We have collaboration with the Kaipara *Whanau Ora* collective with long-term support based in Maungaturoto. We provide food parcels with a social worker visiting recipients to give ongoing follow-up and budget advice. Free computer courses are held for unemployed school leavers and adults.

Seniors are treated to a

monthly lunch at the St John Hall, with entertainment or a guest speaker. We thank Pam Chapman who helps with catering, St John for the use of the hall and facilities, and our team of volunteers who ensure that events run smoothly.

Chocolate bingo happens monthly at the Anglican Church Hall with lots of fun and laughter!

OCS is encouraged and excited by ideas from other agencies for the development of new initiatives which complement their current services and we are passionate about we do.

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Gail Barnett, Volunteer

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Thanks to the Creative Communities Scheme (CCS) who are funding the following three projects in 2015:

Mahia Nga Harakeke (working with flax) Preparation of flax (*moka*), dyeing of flax (*wairakau*), and making a bag (*kite*). Paparoa Sports Pavillion, 18-19th July, 10am-2pm, \$10 per person. Bookings - Geraldine 431 6742 or 022 1951 3642.

Diva's Sculpture Date and times yet to be finalised, looking at October, 2015. Cost \$20 per person.

Indigenous Art - Maori and Australian Date and times yet to be finalised, looking at September 2015, cost \$10 per person.

How to make outdoor furniture out of battens Arty Farties Inc. will be sponsoring this. Watch notice boards for dates and make items such as planter pots, coffee tables, or chairs.

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The cast of *Alice* - wearing an array of mad hats

Lewis Carroll's family classic, *Alice in Wonderland* which turns 150 this year, has delighted and puzzled us in equal measure. We have fallen down the rabbit hole with Alice, taken tea with her and the Mad Hatter, been maddened by the Cheshire Cat and had to convince the Queen of Hearts that we didn't steal her tarts!

This year, ORT is adding an extra feature, with the inclusion of a *Mad Hatter's*

Tea Party to be held at the Maungaturoto Country Club, an hour before each Matinee performance. Wear your own *Mad Hat* and join in the games, fun, and hilarity, and then follow the White Rabbit down the rabbit hole and into the theatre. What a great way to spend a school holiday afternoon!

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White Rock Gallery

We've recently carried out our six weekly refresh at the gallery. Working as part of the selection team I'm lucky enough to get a sneak preview of the new art and craft as it comes in.

Apart from the gorgeous art itself, the thing that is really amazing about that whole process is the volume and variety of work being produced by local artists. When you consider we're in a small rural area, completely restocking a gallery with new art and craft every six weeks is no mean feat.

Fortunately we have some very talented members who continue to provide an ever changing range of beautiful art and craft. Hats off to them! And a big thank you to the locals who visit regularly and often to check out what's new.

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Opportunity strikes: stuff disappears

Over recent months Pahi has experienced a number of localised thefts, leading to a well attended meeting of concerned citizens. Trevor Millard from the Maungaturoto Police has this advice for us all in the district:

"With regard to the crime recently reported; it is a timely reminder for all to take stock of how we store and secure our property. The days of leaving things out in the open have sadly gone. Opportunist type offending is a type of crime that plagues all rural communities across New Zealand. Leaving property in plain sight and not locked away is a risk that no one should take.

The recording of serial numbers makes and models is a must. For those with internet access, have a look at www.snap.org.nz - a useful tool for recording such information without needing to remember where you put it. Police can access this information should the worst happen and you suffer property theft. I have had many discussions with rural folk about how we should be able to leave our properties unlocked and things where we

left them, I agree and am old enough (just) to remember those days but this is no longer the case.

So please take it upon yourself to secure your property. Be vigilant and report any suspicious activity to 111 or your local station 09 431 1150.

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Matariki at The Kauri Museum 18 Jun - 19 July

The Kauri Museum is pleased to continue its tradition of inviting students from the seven ridings of the old Otamatea district to make themed displays for a Matariki exhibition and to herald the arrival of Maori New Year.

Matariki is a time to give thanks to the gods of land, forest and sea for the provision of a successful harvest that will see you through the cold winter months. It is a time for celebration and sharing of the harvest bounty, and also to remember those who have departed in the preceding year.

The Matariki exhibition opened in June and Bernard Makoare demonstrated Taonga Puoro (musical instruments) made from traditional and contemporary materials. The exhibition will run until 19 July.

The Kauri Museum thanks and acknowledges Te Puni Kōkiri, who continue to support the transmission of traditional knowledge and practices and strengthen the sense of community.

Calling all Artists:

For all local artists: the Gilmore Brown Kaipara Art Awards exhibition is to be held at The Kauri Museum in August-September.

Categories are: Painting & Drawing, Photography & Printmaking, Adornments, 3-Dimensional, and Wood.

Entry forms must be received at the Museum by 31 July, with art works to be delivered to the Museum on 4 August.

The exhibition runs from Sat 8 August until Sun 18 September.

Go to www.kaurimuseum.com for your entry form, pick one up from the Museum, or phone 09 431 7417.



Bernard Makoare with Matakohē School students

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From our family to yours ... Heart warming boil-up

As winter sinks in, our garden has been left to fend mostly for itself, growing a nice cover crop of mustard greens, which will be dug in to feed our spring plantings. Somehow the cold weather always brings the thought of food to my mind, namely *healthy food*, which for some reason, can be a lot more expensive. But it doesn't have to be.

Raising a family can stretch the food budget. A vegie garden is of course a great way to lower costs, as you're eating produce you have grown. Much better fresh from the garden than spending huge amounts on produce shipped from the other side of the world. Water from the tap is free; compared to sugar-laden fizzy drinks or juice. Meat is also an expensive option that doesn't need to be for every day. Bulking out meals with lentils, dried beans etc can create an inexpensive but filling meal.

A *boil-up* (see recipe below) using whatever is on hand, is a great big pot of health. Watercress is growing free now all around the place! (Be careful the area hasn't been sprayed recently.) If you like a meaty stock, use a few

beef bones, but leave out the really fatty cheap cuts as this defeats the purpose.

It seems that children are constantly eating, and when on a budget I know the temptation to buy the cheapest snacks to fill them up. But in the long run, these foods can cost the body so much more in terms of disease and malnutrition.

Changing our mindset to see food as an investment in health has set in motion massive and positive changes for our family. Perhaps save money for better food by knocking out



alcohol and cigarettes? Seems obvious, but we owe it to our kids to be positive role models not just in what we eat, but what we put into our bodies in general.

The recipe below is an easy family favourite, and even though my kids don't love lentils or beans they do love it served like this.

Jenny Gilberd-Longdon

Amendment: Last month I wrongly included Eucalypts as a nitrogen fixing tree for food forests. They are fast growing, but not nitrogen fixing. My apologies.

Boil-up : Mexican Lentil Soup

- 2 tbsp of coconut oil or other oil of your choice
- 2 onions, chopped
- 3 cloves of garlic, chopped
- 3 tsp of Mexican seasoning ... see note *
- 2 tins of chopped tomatoes
- 6 cups of stock (beef, chicken or vegetable)
- 1/3 cup of tomato paste
- 1 1/2 cup of either red lentils or puoy lentils
- 2 tbsp brown sugar (optional)
- 1/2 cup of chopped fresh parsley or coriander (optional)

* Mexican seasoning: in a small airtight jar combine the following:

- 1 heaped tbsp ground cumin, 2 tsp sugar,
- 1 tsp oregano, 1 tsp salt, 1 tbsp chilli powder

Directions:

Heat oil and saute the onions and garlic until golden ... add 3 tsp of spice mix and then add tomatoes and stock, tomato paste, lentils and sugar. Bring to the boil and stir, then reduce temperature and simmer for 45 minutes. Add chopped fresh herbs and a dollop of sour cream or yoghurt.

Recipe courtesy of Sophie Gray from *Destitute Gourmet*
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Westmount School

Letters from the Old Post Office

The history of socks

Women speak because they wish to speak, whereas a man speaks only when driven to speak by something outside himself like, for instance, he can't find any clean socks.

Jean Kerr



Socks have been with us for centuries. The name itself derives from the ancient Latin *soccus* describing a low heeled slipper-like contraption. Way back in the 8th century the Greek, Hesiod, wrote advice to his brother on the need to keep his feet warm (a nice change from his mother); "Around your feet, tie your sandals made from brutally hunted oxen skin and, under these, dress them in piloi." (Piloi is a matted type of animal hair, probably resembling the work sock so beloved by our farming folk, but possibly even itchier). The wearing of a sock was clearly deemed just as important as it is today. However, as the *soccus* has been around for so very long, and clearly features in the health and well being of the wearer, then the question must be asked - why are they so difficult to find? How many households ring with the forlorn cry of "Have you seen my *soccus*?" or a variant on the same theme "Where are my *soccus*?"

It seems that, for something that has been part of the working man's fashion garb for so long, it is remarkably elusive. It may, of course, be the work of the naughty little sock fairy, or could be the result of the little known Visual Impairment Disorder (VID for short). This remarkably pervasive disorder (not widely acknowledged in the medical field) renders many menfolk incapable of finding their *soccus*. VID is the cause of scenes of strife in many a Kaipara household. Fortunately, with the aid of the *soccus-visually-impaired* fewer of our menfolk will suffer the ill effects that Hesiod warned of 13 Centuries ago.

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Primary School news

We've had another busy month at school and Term 2 is just about finished. We have all been learning about Matariki. Room 1 (Years 2&3) created artwork depicting 'the seven stars of Matariki' that will be on display at The Kauri Museum.

At the end of June we joined with other schools around the country and held a dress-up day to raise awareness of, and fundraise for, Kids Can who support schools by providing extra food and health care items for children in need.

Once more we ran the *Reading Together* programme for parents, providing them with some strategies they can use at home to help their children with reading.

A very successful working bee was held one Sunday to cut up firewood and we now have seasoned oak available for sale at \$90 cubic metre. Our annual *Quiz Night* will soon be here, so start getting your teams organised for a night of friendship and fun on Saturday, 26th July.

And don't forget to mark your calendars for the *Possum Purge* which will happen between

17th- 20th September.

The school term ends on Friday, July 3rd and we hope everyone enjoys the school holidays. Term 3 starts on Monday, 20th July.

Alison Cadman-Smith,
Acting Principal

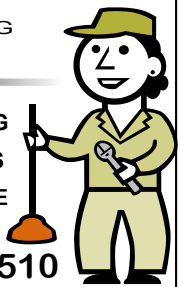
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Recently, helicopter training was undertaken at Whangarei airport. We practised filling monsoon buckets and learning how to board a helicopter safely while it was hovering.

Thank you to those who contributed to a new set of pads for the defibrillator held at the station. The water pump which was the top prize at the A&P show and which was donated back to the community by the winner, has fetched \$650 and a decision will be made at the upcoming Fire Force AGM as to how best to use the funds.

As a Rural Fire Force, we have considered preferences and suggestions to structural changes to NZ Fire Services as proposed by government. A stronger fire force would help cement our continued presence in the area, so please consider becoming a member. Phone Yvonne 431 6668.

Winter gardening ... plant trees

This is the month to get your tree planting done and order in the shrubs and perennials you would like. I am thinking of planting a low hedge as we seem to get every wind, but I still want to retain the lovely view over the farms.

I would also like if possible to provide food for the birds. Yes, I have cats, but they are very well fed and do catch mice rather well, apart from the occasional tag and release inside the house!

The hedges I am considering are the dwarf bottle brush "Little John" because I have had it before and it was tough, attractive and the birds loved it. Other plants I have considered are: *Coprosma* varieties such as "Hot Chocolate", "Evening Glow" and "Brockii" (this one partly because it was sourced from the Mokohinau islands), *Corokia x virgata* "Emerald and Jade" (but these seem to be very slow growing in my garden). Also some flax species (a huge variety now) and *Escallonia* "Apple Blossom" (which may not be so attractive to birds).

I have crossed off *Buxus* as it's roots go for miles and starve anything near it; the *Camellia* species as they are inclined to die in a drought and the herbs *Rosemary* and *Lavender* as they are quite short lived.

So now ... a visit to the nurseries to see what's available and affordable. Also I need a big dose of self control not to buy other things I just like, not need!

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Book Review

TITLE: *Sophie - Dog Overboard*

AUTHOR: Emma Pearce



This is a book for all dog lovers, who already know how smart dogs are, and for anyone who would love a true and extraordinary story of survival, luck and loyalty.

The bond between animals and humans can be mysteriously strong which is especially so in this canine Robinson Crusoe, who was determined to beat all odds to return to her family.

Emma Pearce is an Australian journalist who lived and worked in New York for many years. She has crafted the story of Sophie, a remarkable blue heeler cattle dog, from personal interviews with the Griffith family and others.

I really enjoyed this book (available from the Paparoa Community Library) and I highly recommend it. I won't spoil the story by revealing too much but it kept me reading right to the last page to find out what happened to Sophie.

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Sacred Soul Circle United in Love, Joy, Truth and Oneness

Sacred Soul Circle is a monthly gathering of meditation, healing, sacred teaching and co-creation. The circle will take place on the 2nd Sunday of each month, starting on Sunday 10 May from 10am to 12noon at Marohemo Hall.

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Pets in the Valley

... kitten antics

There is nothing nicer than a cat on your lap when you are sitting by the fire on a cold winter's night.

I recently brought home a little kitten from work (occupational hazard) and it loves to sleep curled up under my chin rendering it impossible to answer the phone, do the dishes or put more wood on the fire.

I'd forgotten how optimistic these little creatures are as they attempt to leap impossible distances, assume everything in the world is a toy and blindly wander to the feed bowl while the elder cat has a meltdown.



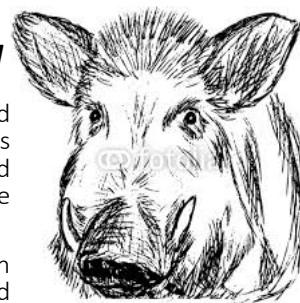
They also have an innate ability to train people as they want them. She has decided where the litter tray is going to go, what food she will eat and where she will sleep. She also has managed to con me into giving her a hot water bottle at night for when the fire dies down and to leaving an array of articles scattered around the floor, from ping pong balls to toilet rolls.

It is a good thing she is a winter kitten as she has a fetish for ankle and wrist biting - so jeans and jerseys are desirable. Hopefully she grows out of this phase by the time the shorts come back out!

I highly recommend having some new life in the home.

Janine

Wild Boar Hunt - most successful ever!



The Paparoa Hotel hosted a weekend of hunting, fishing and festivities attracting over 104 participants. Wild boar, snapper and eels were the targets.

Proceeds of \$518 from the fish auction went to Paparoa School. Very good prizes were donated and were a huge drawcard. Organiser Vic Birkenhead of Kaiwaka is promising a bigger and better event next year.

With the majority of entries coming from outside our area, this event has become a great addition to Paparoa's calendar.

Final results and winners were:

Boar hunt section:

Heaviest boar – 1st Barry Bestow (with 160.3lb boar);
2nd Willy Rogers, 3rd Kurtis (Ruawai), 4th Nick Dobbyn.

Mystery Weight - Keith MacGillivray (42.7kg boar).

Average Weight - Graham Carter of Ararua (112.2lb).

Best Tusks - Sonja Whitehead.

Fishing section:

Adult heaviest snapper - Tony Comins (12.2lb),
Runner-up Andrew Thomson

Average Weight snapper - Gary Greaves.

Children heaviest snapper - Jim Holcroft (6.3lb),

Runners-up: Angel Rose Noho (4.7lb), Jim Holcroft (3.7lb).

Jim also won a 'Game Gear' shirt for the heaviest snapper caught on Saturday.

Eel section:

Heaviest eel - Ruby (5.8lb), Runner-up Billy Boy (2.12) lb.

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Winter timetable is as follows

Monday 6-7.30pm
Tuesday 5.30-7pm
Wednesday 4-5.30pm
Thursday 11-12.30pm, 5.30-7pm
Sunday 8-9.30am

On Friday nights Jenny and John will be hosting a 'Sitting Circle' from 7.30pm onwards, for people interested in meditation. Also available daily are private one-on-one sessions, affordable and a great investment in health designed for your body.



Jenny would like to thank all those who have been attending her classes under the Northtec subsidy, and looks forward to connecting in this new space. All are welcome!

For more details or bookings, contact Jenny 021-1143370, 09 280-9694, longberd@gmail.com or find her new website at <http://longberd.wix.com/anamana-yoga>.

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art ... with a purpose

Graphic design is art with a purpose. It is probably the area of art that we experience most: from the layout and illustrations in newspapers, magazines and books to packaging, signs, websites and advertising.

Computers allow anyone to produce graphic design at home, but it is difficult to do well. A university trained graphic designer learns both the theory and practice of the skills of communicating through layout, type choice, colour use, composition, and understanding how we read images.

If you look around at some everyday examples you will be aware of those that communicate effectively. Signs must tell their message clearly and often quickly. Traffic signs are good examples, using a straightforward font surrounded by plenty of space and using strongly contrasting colours.

Advertising uses carefully chosen pictures and text to tell you that, even if you don't know it yet, you have a problem they can solve, a need they can meet, a want they can fulfil.

The old saying, "you can't tell a book by its cover" is no longer true, even with adult books. See the bright pastels with quirky sketch figures of 'chick lit', the caped figures and dripping reds of vampire tales, the uncluttered simplicity of quality non-fiction.

The designer will have assessed their target market and selected the appropriate images, colours and type size and style to communicate with it. So when you see tiny print on a busy patterned background it is worth asking, what are they trying to hide?

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Big YAH from all kids! Winter holidays can be challenging, (for parents), when there are long days of rain, followed by more rain cabin fever can set in quickly! So here are some great (cheap) ideas to fill time without resorting to endless 'device time':

- Make your own board games, drawing them onto a good solid piece of cardboard. See who in the family can invent the most creative game, and then take turns to play each other's games.
- Walk in the rain, splash in puddles! Fresh air is a great lift for the little people (and not so little.) Race floating sticks down rivers, or go on a bush walk and pretend you are pioneers.
- Bake something you have not tried before. Younger ones might just help or taste test, there is nothing like fresh baking to fill a lazy afternoon and empty tummies.
- Visit the Paparoa library and borrow books that you wouldn't usually borrow! Maybe each person choose a book for someone else in the family.
- Put on a play, or a puppet show. This can get as creative as just dangling soft toys or creating custom made puppets for a specially written script!
- Play loud music and dance wildly!
- Make cards or write beautiful letters for your grandparents or elderly people at the local rest home.



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We are grateful nothing was vandalised or trashed, but Dad's stuff is our family history from the UK. Although the documents may now be long gone, we'd love to hear from anyone who knows anything. This will certainly be a warning for others! I am appealing for the paperwork to be returned to us, we don't care about the vacuum cleaner, or the briefcase, but I would really just like my dad's stuff back. I am happy for it to be dropped anywhere local ... no questions asked!

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'What does Anzac mean to me?' ... Edith Cavell

Candace Smith wrote and presented this speech about Edith Cavell at the recent Lions' Schools Speech Competition.

On ANZAC Day, we honour the lives of people who died in the First World War and the following wars. I live in Nurse Cavell Lane so when my Nana told me Edith Cavell had been in World War One, I decided to find out more.

Edith Cavell was born on December 4, 1865 and died 12 October 1915; she was a British nurse and is well remembered for saving the lives of soldiers from both sides of the British and German War, without discrimination. Before the War, Edith Cavell trained and worked in various hospitals in England. Because of her actions, the German Military Police had Cavell make statements, admitting that she had been instrumental in conveying 60 British, 100 French and Belgium soldiers to the frontier where she sheltered most of them in her own house, from the Germans. According to German Military law, she was court-martialled for treason and sentenced to death by firing squad, despite pressure for mercy. Her execution received world-wide condemnation.

British Baron Lanken is known to have stated that Cavell should have been pardoned because of her complete honesty and because she had saved so many lives, but the German Military Governor ordered that in the interests of the State, the implementation of the death penalty must be immediate. The night before her execution, an Anglican Chaplain had been allowed to give her Holy Communion; she had stated "Patriotism is not enough, I must have no hatred or bitterness towards anyone." These words are inscribed on her statue in St. Martin's Place, in Trafalgar Square in London.

Many roads, streets, hospital wards, memorials, nursing facilities, music, films and plays, schools, parks, bridges, nursing scholarships, horses, etc. all over the world – including New Zealand – were named after this amazing lady. Not to mention that I live in Nurse Cavell Lane, Paparoa, which is opposite the building which was the old Paparoa Hospital, also named in memory of her. I think Nurse Cavell was a very good person and that she should have been pardoned ... I am glad that we remember her here in Paparoa.

Candace Jane Smith, Nurse Cavell Lane, Paparoa

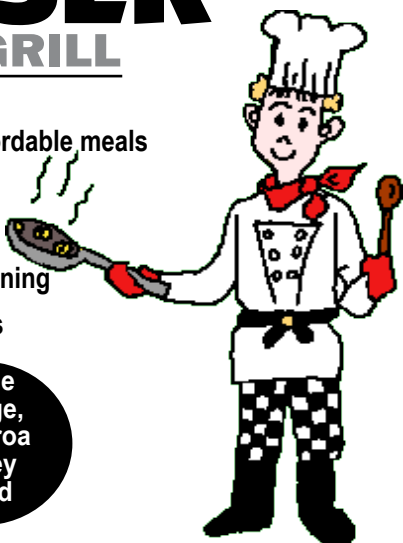


Candace pictured at
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Everybody's Reading Room reviewed

Over three weekends in May and June, local theatre group Platform Thirteen brought their latest production to venues in Dargaville, Maungaturoto and Whangarei. *Everybody's Reading Room* is written by Sheri O'Neill of Tinopai, who played in professional theatre for many years and holds a degree in creative writing.

Based on real-life events *Everybody's Reading Room* tells the fictionalised story of Alfred Gregory, a Dargaville Quaker, shopkeeper, anti-militarist and pacifist, as conscription is introduced during World War One.

The play tells of Alfred's (or Arthur Grace as he is named in the play) civil disobedience and also of his affair with an English actress (a storyline referencing the life of George

Bernard Shaw, Irish playwright, and socialist, who also opposed WW1, but for different reasons to Alfred/Arthur).

The cast was drawn from performers from Dargaville and across the district to Mangawhai and Waipu. On the night the writer attended in Whangarei, fine supporting performances were given by Sam Hartles of Paparoa as George Coutts (the character based on Gordon Coates of

Matakohe, MP for Kaipara for 32 years), Josiah Day from Tinopai as William, and Lizzie Carroll-Thom of Waipu as Marion Grace. The most engaging and touching scene of the night was Marion's quiet explanation of her early years in industrial England, while Nat Curnow (Kaiwaka) was outstanding as Mate Bubica, an exuberant and enthusiastic gum digger hoping to become a New Zealand resident. Curnow's performance came with an authentic Dalmatian accent which never faltered throughout his scenes.

Everybody's Reading Room touring season is now complete. If you missed the show, you will have another opportunity to see it in a few weeks' time when cast members perform scenes from the play at The Kauri Museum, Matakohe.

Mary Stevens



Motoring Matters

As I write this, four young Kiwis are racing at Le Mans, the most prestigious race in motor sport, though some Indy 500 fans might disagree with that statement. Brendon Hartley and Earl Bamber have a very good chance of winning outright in *Porsches*, while Richie Stanaway will have a very good chance of winning his class in an *Aston Martin*, and Mitch Evans, I am sure, will do well in his class in a car which I have never heard of, a *Jota*.

All this is, of course, so long as the cars and their drivers manage to last the distance. They have over 3000km to cover in 24 hours at average speeds of 200km/h which will require a huge amount of concentration on the part of the drivers, in darkness as well as daylight, and the cars have to be well prepared and serviced by pit crews throughout the event.

Although such marathon events have largely disappeared from the motorsport calendar, there are several 6 and 12-hour races, and rallying provides three days of short sharp stages to entertain the fans. In years gone by, grand prix racing would have involved four and five hours racing with none of today's safety features, and rallying would have invariably required many days of continuous driving through all weather conditions.

As both Formula 1 and the World Rally Championship are losing many of their followers, perhaps it's time to return to a more heroic 'man and machine against the elements' form of motor sport.

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MUSEUM MUSINGS ...

The Balderston Kauri

The slab from the Balderston Kauri is startlingly huge. I'm 6' 3" and so not much makes me feel small, but standing next to this piece of timber certainly does. The funny thing is, even though it runs the whole length of the Volunteers Hall, sometimes people don't even notice it. They walk up to the base and admire the beauty of the wave-patterned grain without realising what the base is a part of. The expression on people's faces as they look left and take in the full 22.5m slab is priceless.



In life, the Balderston Kauri stood at Kaiwaka, about 25 minutes away from the Kauri Museum, where it was a remnant of the forest which once covered all of Northland. As you can imagine, a large tree standing on top of a hill has the potential to attract a bit of lightning during storms. This exact thing happened in 1986, and the scar from the strike is clearly visible in the crown of the tree, an ugly black mark with patches of gum where the tree has tried to heal itself. While the lightning didn't kill the tree outright, the strike caused damage which allowed water to run in and settle inside the tree. Over the next four years this water ran right down through the trunk, rotting out the base and sealing its fate. The dying tree was cut down in 1990 before it could fall and cause any damage.

As big as the Balderston Kauri is, it is dwarfed by the true giants of the old days. Even our largest living tree, Tane Mahuta, is less than half the size of the legendary Kauri Ghost. Coming in at a whopping 26.83m, this tree was a bit bigger than the entire front wall of the hall.

Thomas Macdonald, Visitor Host, The Kauri Museum

OUT & ABOUT

Progressive Paparoa Inc AGM will be held on Wednesday 15th July, 7.30pm at the Paparoa Hall. Everyone is welcome.

Linking Hands AGM will be held on Monday 6th July 2015 at 7pm at 131 Hurdall St Maungaturoto. All welcome and it would be great to see some new faces attend.

Calling All Artists: The Gilmore Brown Kaipara Art Awards will be held at The Kauri Museum in August-September. See page 5 for details.

Kaipara Kids Club - Daycare, Kindergarten, Before & After School Care, and Holiday Programmes. We're now taking pre-enrolments. If you have children aged 2-13 we have something for you at our Club! Call or email for an information pack. Ph 431 8765, or email office@kaiparakidsclub.co.nz

Congratulations: Lea Dodson, Jan Smith & Gaylene Northcott celebrated significant birthdays during June.

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Progressive Paparoa Inc - AGM Wed 15 Jly, 7.30pm Paparoa Hall All welcome
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Matariki Exhibition, The Kauri Museum 18 Jun - 19 July
School Quiz Night Sat 26 July, Paparoa School, ph school to book 431 7379
Weeds Workshops Mon 27 July, 9am-12noon or 1-4pm Paparoa Hall
Paparoa JMB rugby Home game in Paparoa Saturday 15 August

REGULAR EVENTS, MEETINGS AND ORGANISATIONS

Anglican Church St Marks 1st, 2nd & 4th Sundays 10am, Hook Road, Paparoa
Ararua Church 10.30am every Sunday, All welcome ph 431 6622
Art Group Paparoa 1st Sun in month, Helen Budd's Studio, ph 431 6192
Art Studio, Ruawai Mon 10-12noon; Tue 7-9pm, ph Frances 439 2554
Arty Farties Summer Markets 9am-noon, opposite Village Green; Thur/Fri in the 'Tile Shed' ph Anne 431 6229; Crafty Kids Club alt Saturdays 10-2pm, Rm 5 Paparoa Primary School; Beginners Patchwork Group, Mon 7pm, Te Pahi River Dr.
Badminton kids 5.30pm; older/experienced 7pm, Paparoa Hall
Crafternoons 1st & 3rd Wed in month, 1-4pm, Tinopai Hall ph Lyn 431 6090
Exercise to Music Tue 10.30am Paparoa Hall \$5 ph Rose 431 7418
Farmers' Market Fortnightly Sat 9-noon, Village Green July 11, 25; August 8, 22
Fire Force 1st & 3rd Monday in month 6.30pm Depot Rd ph Cohan 431 6668
Gardening Club 2nd Wed of month, ph Lea 431 6296
Grey Power Last Wed in month, 2pm, Hall next to Resthome, M'gto
The Kauri Museum 'The Man from Matakoho' exhibition ongoing daily
Library Mon 1.30-4.30pm, Wed 10am-12noon, Thu 1.30-4.30pm, Fri 9.30am-1pm.
 Open Market days - alternate Saturdays 9.30-1pm

Line Dancing Thurs 10am-noon Paparoa Hall ph Rose 431 7418
Mainly Music Wed 9.30am Paparoa Comm Church, ph Rebecca 431 7550
Matakoho Music Makers Wed 8 Apr 'St Patrick's do' 7pm BYO Sports Pav'n \$2 pp
Otamatea Quilters 1st Tue/mnth 7pm & 3rd Mon 10am, Paparoa Hall 09 439 2262
Outdoor Bowls Maungaturoto Green ph Tony 431 6026 or Brian 431 6884
Paparoa Community Church 10.30am every Sunday, Hook Road
Paparoa Hall Functions venue ph Robyn 431 7306 or a/h Loraine 431 7290
Paparoa Lions Dinner Meetings 3rd Mon in month 6.30pm, Sports Pavilion
Paparoa Playcentre Tues & Fri 9.30-12.30 Visitors welcome ph Tina 021 033 5128
Paparoa Plunket Society Coffee Group 1st Tue/month, 10am Franklin Rd
Paparoa Primary School Term 2 finishes Jly 3, Term 3 commences 20 Jly
Paparoa Toy Library Wed 10.30-1pm, Paparoa Comm Church, Hilery 431 7330
Sacred Soul Circle 2nd Sundays, 10am-12 Marohemo hall ph Helen 021 938 024
Selwyn Centre Thurs 10am for over 65's, St Marks, Hook Rd, ph 431 8193
Sports Pavilion Functions venue, ph Vickie Owens 431 6432 for bookings
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Yoga - Anamata Studio \$10/session ph Jenny 09 280 9694, 021 114 3370

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HOOK, LINE & SINKER

There are still good sized snapper being caught at the moment, but not as many as earlier, plenty of kahawai around and the odd gurnard.
 I caught a 20lb snapper last week, and won some good prizes in the fishing section of the Boar Hunt weekend competition.



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LOCAL TIDES for July 2015**JULY TIDES - CALCULATED for PAHI-WHAKAPIRAU**

DATE	LOW	HIGH	DATE	LOW	HIGH
1st	4.21pm	10.23am	17th	5.49pm	11.57am
2nd	5.07pm	11.11am	18th	6.25pm	12.36pm
3rd	5.53pm	11.57am	19th	7.01pm	1.12pm
4th	6.39pm	12.44pm	20th	7.36pm	1.46pm
5th	7.25pm	1.31pm	21st	8.12pm	2.21pm
6th	7.56am	2.19pm	22nd	8.39am	3.00pm
7th	8.45am	3.10pm	23rd	9.21am	3.43pm
8th	9.37am	4.03pm	24th	10.08am	4.33pm
9th	10.35am	5.02pm	25th	11.02am	5.30pm
10th	11.32am	6.05pm	26th	12.01pm	6.35pm
11th	12.35pm	7.13pm	27th	1.04pm	7.42pm
12th	1.40pm	8.17pm	28th	2.06pm	8.04am
13th	2.40pm	8.42am	29th	3.04pm	9.05am
14th	3.35pm	9.39am	30th	3.56pm	9.59am
15th	4.25pm	10.30am	31st	4.46pm	10.53am
16th	5.09pm	11.16am			

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 Paparoa Clinic: Doctor Tue + Fri 8.30am-12.30pm..... 09 431 7222
 For urgent after hours medical service (Wellsford)..... 09 423 8086

DISTRICT NURSE Dargaville Hospital 09 439 3330
 Healthline - 24 hour service..... 0800 611 116

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KAIPARA DISTRICT COUNCIL Helpline 0800 727 059
 Mangawhai Office..... 0800 100 388

LINKING HANDS Health Shuttle Service, Maungaturoto 09 431 8969

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Paparoa JMB Rugby hosts rally day

We are well into our rugby season with eight games played so far. Paparoa has now hosted two successful rally days, the latest being on the 20 June. With 20 teams playing they were big days with over 200 kids to feed. The sidelines were packed with supporters and it was wonderful to see so many whanau and friends there supporting our tamariki and our club.

We received some really positive feedback, both from the other clubs and from our community. Former club members spoke fondly of Paparoa rugby club as they were impressed by the atmosphere and the successful rally days that our

At the beginning of this season we had plenty of under 7s but were unsure as to whether we would have enough players to field teams in the under 9 and under 11 grades. Not only do we now have teams but they are all playing well and having their share of wins.

Our under 9s are now known as the Paparoa Destroyers and are living up to their name. Our budding Black Ferns and All Blacks are playing well, with every team improving weekly. We have a fantastic committee and all of the work that they are doing, along with the support we are receiving from the wider community is ensuring our little club goes from strength to strength.



We have a couple of fun evenings planned; a club trip to MY Bounce in Whangarei the day after our last game of the season and our prize giving on the 26th of August.

If you would like to get involved with our club or offer prizes etc for our prize giving please phone Claire on 431 6151.

Our season runs until the end of August and we have one more rally day to host on Saturday 15th of August.

We would love to see you all there.

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