



NOVEMBER 2013

Injured Kereru

We were on our morning walk when we came upon a sad looking wood pigeon fluttering along the edge of the footpath and out onto the road. We could see that it was injured, and we clearly couldn't just leave it there. Slowly we closed in on it, and I threw my light jacket over it and carried it home in my arms.



Between us we had the means to get it the best possible care: Rose provided a padded cat cage, and I was visiting Whangarei and knew just where to take it. The Native Bird Recovery Centre, in Maunu just beside the Whangarei Museum is a splendid facility, providing care for injured and ill native birds. It was founded in 1992 by Robert and Robyn Webb, who still run the centre with the help of volunteers. They cover from Puhoi north to Cape Reinga, and treat about 1300 birds each year. Their website (www.nbr.org.nz) tells their whole story and has wonderful tales and images including a live webcam feed. Current stars are new kiwi chicks and eggs about to hatch.

So far our woodpigeon is doing well, he's starting to eat now and the injury at the base of his wing should heal. Soon we'll be able to bring him home to Paparoa.

Native Bird Recovery Centre: 09 438 1457 (24 hrs). Donations are very welcome. If necessary, birds can be taken to any Vet Clinic, and they will arrange for them to be collected.

Helen Budd

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A Vision for Paparoa?

Standing still is not an option in a fast paced world. So how progress should be managed is a curly question. District Plans and RMA rules can prescribe what kind of development takes place. But a community can also play a role in determining its own future. What's required is dialogue between and among those involved. Conversations about what kind of community we want to live in now, and to hand on to our descendants. What kind of community will attract people who'll *continue* to build the vision?



Paparoa beyond 2020? From one individual perspective here are some random thoughts:

- ▣ Our neighbour Maungaturoto will, in the long term, continue to grow to almost Wellsford proportions with attendant congestion, lack of parking, and frenetic atmosphere. This offers Paparoa some unique opportunities.
- ▣ With an increasing range of services nearby, Paparoa has the opportunity to grow in a different way. Would we become simply a dormitory suburb? Or would developing our own distinct recreational opportunities be the way to go?
- ▣ Paparoa has already established a reputation for good food, quality accommodation, attractive natural surroundings, and events that attract crowds looking for unique entertainment. Is it possible this reputation could be further enhanced?
- ▣ Many folk have 'retired' to Paparoa and environs. Is a retirement village a logical next step to cater for these people and attract others?
- ▣ The 'heritage' features of the area are special. Could they be enhanced to attract more visitors and business?
- ▣ Paparoa has been identified as a great place with its village atmosphere, open spaces and easy access to the Kaipara Harbour. What is required to develop these attributes further?

Not addressing the possibilities *could* result in us ending up with something we don't want but can't stop. Where are the people with vision and commitment to develop a unique future for Paparoa? Let's have this conversation! Get your friends, community group, work mates talking ... and let us know, so Paparoa Press can publish the various 'visions' that emerge. Why not gather a community consensus of what we can agree on to start the ball rolling? PP

2014 North Kaipara A & P Show - Equestrian

The Equestrian Schedule for the 2014 North Kaipara A & P Show on Friday 31st January and Saturday 1st February 2014 has a new look. Starting Friday 3pm is a new section for *In-Hand Horses and Ponies*, encompassing many breeds and equine types. Competitors should find more than two or three classes that their equine star can shine in. *Pinto*, for registered and unregistered horses and ponies, *Welsh pure and part-bred*, *Golden Horses*, *Appaloosa*, *Riding Ponies*, *Hacks and Hunters*, with classes within this section for breeds and types. The schedule is online now at www.paparoa.org.nz & click on 'Events'.

Saturday is *Ridden* classes for *Horses and Ponies*, *Hunter Jumping*, *Lead Rein* and *First Ridden Ponies*, and a *Pleasure Ring* for those not wishing to compete to A & P Level.

For *Western* fans the Northern Districts *Team Roping* have their classes in the Sand Arena.

Miniature Horses, always a crowd pleaser, will have their section on Saturday near the main showground arena.

A new award *Supreme Ridden Exhibit* will be contested on Saturday, Championship winners from *Pony Ring* and Championship winners from *Hack and Saddle Hunter Ring*, with the prize a Photography Session with rising star photographer Kelly Wilson from Hukerenui.

With daylight saving in full swing it's an ideal time to hold the *In-Hand* section from 3pm on the Friday, so the Show committee hope exhibitors will enjoy this exciting new programme. Many of the classes are qualifiers for the *Horse of the Year Show 2014*.

The 2014 Paparoa A & P Show will not clash with the National Show, which is being held with *'Equidays'* at Mystery Creek, so it is hoped that more equines will Show on the day at Paparoa.

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150th



Don't forget to get along and check out Maungaturoto's 150th celebrations on 1st, 2nd & 3rd November! There'll be a Grand Parade plus lots more happening and plenty to see - and it won't come around again for another 150 years! Check out the schedule at maungaturoto.homestead.com

New Business in Town!

New business venture **PEGASUS ENGRAVING** - located in the building between *The Cruiser Bar & Grill* and *Zephyr Seafoods* is a welcome addition as a service previously unobtainable in Paparoa.

Lynne Warbrooke is using her IT skills and some relatively new technology to 'transfer' images, such as photos and artwork, onto ceramic mugs, tiles, plates, coasters, certain fabrics, trophy plates and corporate plaques, and much more. The machinery she has at present can handle up to A4 size on these items and she has plans to expand to include laser engraving for glass, wood, and leather.



Lynne Warbrooke at Pegasus Engraving, using image transfer technology

A dye-sublimation process uses heat to affix dye into the surface of the item, the image is embedded and not merely laid on top; it won't scratch or wear off and gives brilliant colour. (For more detailed explanations, ask Google about dye-sublimation!)

Lynne envisages her service will be quickly taken up by businesses and sporting organisations, but more especially by people looking for that very special customised gift or memento, eg: on the birth of a child, a wedding, or any event to be cherished. She will be able to source many items as required, and is available between 10am-3pm each day to discuss what is envisaged and provide ideas. Her shop window shows a few examples of what she can do at the moment. One example that is eye-catching for Paparoa people - the great mural by Dennise Brownlie (on the toilet block wall at the Village Green opposite), wrapped around a mug or on a series of three tiles or whatever can be envisaged. A great local gift. PP



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Community Organisations Listing

Progressive Paparoa Inc. plans to print a List of Community Organisations for distribution to residents.

There hasn't been a list published for some years.

If you wish your organisation or group to be included, please phone:

Graham Murray 431 6324 with the details. PP

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Paparoa Primary School had a very exciting and successful *Pet and Show Day* for 2013. 40 animals were in attendance with four children having two animals. It was exciting to have so much of the school involved with an animal and we are excited about this growing even further next year.

The animals were judged and pre-schoolers were also encouraged to bring their animals along. The Ruawai Kindergarten attended the event and some of the children got involved in the pre-schooler section.



The indoor exhibits and classrooms looked amazing showing off all the children's hard work over the term. The new coat of paint also highlighted the new fresh feel in the rooms. All the children were very excited to show their family and friends what they had been learning about at school.

Principal, Mrs Kim Tavinor, said *"I was so proud of all the children and staff, the classrooms looked amazing and it was so nice to see so many animals. This is one of the most special days of the year"*.

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Some of you will know that we had a break-in at *Arty Farties*. Well, we've now had another one! This time our motor mower and folding chairs were stolen. Do you have an old mower that you no longer need? Here's a message for the thieves: *"You are being watched"* - karma - what goes around comes around. If you need food, go to *Otamatea Community Services* in Maungaturoto, or *Youth & Whanau Focus* Paparoa. They have food donated regularly. There's no need to steal, just try asking instead.

Our *beginners' Patchwork class* is growing and is now held at Sue Clayton-Dawson's house in Te Pahi River Drive. Material is supplied, thanks to donations. Our girls' patchwork is unique. Amazing work is being done (ages 16 - 60+ years), so come and join us.

Carters have donated timber etc. for a pergola for our Community Gardens' Sunday morning cuppa. Anyone out there who'd like to help us build this pergola please ph Anne 431 6229 so we can organise a working bee (Sunday preferred).

Crafty Kids Club meets fortnightly at Paparoa Primary School. Their quilts are on display at *Paparoa Sidewalk Sale*. The kids are aged 7 to 15 years - amazing! Join our market, summer's coming.

We've received a Community Grant to run *Maori Basket Weaving classes* with tutor Geraldine Jenkins, a very talented weaver and artist. We plan two 4-hour sessions, 10am-2pm on Saturday or Sunday for adults and children, if you're interested please ph Anne on 431 6229 so we can add you to our list - before Christmas.

PS: If you have any spare fruit for our food bank please ring us on 431 6229. We can come and pick.

Cheers, Anne at Arty Farties Inc.

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OUT & ABOUT around the District

There's to be a new format for this year's Christmas Celebration at the Village Green. The event will run from 11am to 2pm on Saturday 14 December and overlap with the last hour of that day's Farmers' Market. Progressive Paparua is still planning the details.

If you're looking for a new outfit, get in to Paparua Drapery and have a look. Robyn has most of her new summer stock in store and there are some gorgeous pieces on the racks.

There has been some concern expressed about dogs roaming in the Village. Just a friendly reminder to dog owners to be aware of the rules pertaining to dogs in public places. The rules can be found on Kaipara District Council's website: www.kaipara.govt.nz/Service+Info/Dogs/Dog+Owner+Responsibilities

Make sure you get over to Maungaturoto and join in with the 150th events starting Friday 1st thru' to Sunday 3rd November. The Grand Parade on Saturday will be a fine sight with every community group in Maungaturoto having at least one entry. Highlights for Saturday afternoon at the Country Club include woodchopping and pedal-powered shearing. For a full schedule of events go to <http://maungaturoto.homestead.com/>

Have you been on the Paparua Lions Bush walk lately? It's a really interesting 5km walk and only takes an hour. The bush is looking great thanks to pest control and the new planting on the extended section is coming away nicely. The stretch from Cutter Bridge back to State Highway 12, over the old landfill and beside the road, is a pleasant surprise which is not obvious as you drive by.

Dr Lynne Mitchell is now at Paparua Medical Clinic each Tuesday and Friday, 8.30am to

12.15pm. There's also a nurse in attendance alongside the doctor.

Don't forget that the Paparua Farmers' Market scheduled for Saturday 2 November has been cancelled. The next market will be held on Saturday 16 November.

The Paparua Community Library will also be closed on Saturday 2nd Nov, because of Maungaturoto 150th celebrations.

PPI is seeking Expressions of Interest for a Volunteer to maintain and update the Paparua website on a weekly basis. The website is about to receive an overhaul of its operational systems to simplify data entry for the operator. Please ph Peter Hames 09 431 6822.

The Print Shop located in Paparua Drapery offers a full range of black & white and colour printing and is soon to purchase a laminator to add to the service available.

Paparua Primary School PTA's AGM will be held on Monday 4 November, 2.30pm at the School.

Arty Farties (Community Connex-

ions) will also hold it's AGM in November, on Wed 27th, 7pm at the Paparua Sports Pavilion.

An Arts & Crafts Market / Garage Sale is to be held on Saturday 16 November, 9-12noon in the Paparua Library carpark. Jewellery, christmas decorations and 2nd-hand books are among the items that will be on offer.

If you hadn't noticed, one of the poplars on the riverbank fell in a recent storm, narrowly missing the water tank on the Village Green and stripping branches



Fallen poplar tree on the Village Green

from the ginkgo tree. Many of the other poplars are beginning to look a little precarious. Does anyone know when they were planted? We know that the old tree (with the hollowed-out trunk), over the river, is at least 80 years old. PP

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Are you going to be without family or friends this Christmas Day?
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The local churches are planning to host a 'special Christmas Day Lunch-eon.'
More details to follow....
Please ring Janine on 4317196, text 0274483986 or Miriam on 4317106 to register your interest by the end of the month.

Wellington WOWs WAG Winners

Mia Tong and Kohl Tyler-Dunshea, Supreme Award winners at the 2013 Paparoa Wearable Arts Gala, flew to Wellington in late September to attend the national *World of Wearable Arts* show, their prize for winning at Paparoa.



Paparoa WAG 2013
Supreme Award
winner:

Mia Tong &
Kohl Tyler-Dunshea's
creation
Gastropodian Race
modelled here by Kohl.



Mia says that the winning costume, named *The Exchange*, (pictured at left) was a surprise. While appreciating the idea behind it, she preferred some of the other entries. Mia and Kohl will be back for Paparoa WAG in 2014, trying their best for another win as they'd dearly love to be able to go to WOW again.

Local residents Mia and Kohl are both students at Whitecliffs College of Arts and Design in Auckland, so attending WOW was a very exciting prospect and the show did not disappoint.

From their seats at the edge of the stage, they were in a great position to make the most of every moment and every aspect of the performance. Mia reports that WOW was "amazing", she "really enjoyed it" and "it was the best experience of my life so far".

*"I distrust camels,
and anyone else
who can go a
week without a
drink."*

Joe E. Lewis

PAPAROA LIBRARY BOOK REVIEW NOVEMBER

Title: Ray Avery :
Rebel with a Cause

Author: Ray Avery

Ray's book impressed me very much. I have the utmost admiration for someone who has done so much in his life.

Let Ray take you on an interesting journey. His book is a great read and well written, and he has a great sense of humour.

With alcoholic parents, Ray suffered appalling abuse on a regular basis during childhood. He was made a ward of the court at age 9, when all he wanted was to please his sick mother who suffered badly with depression. Placed in and out of orphanages and foster homes, Ray spent much of his time avoiding bullies and paedophiles. He ran away on many occasions, seeking solace and warmth in libraries, which helped to inspire his love of learning. At 13 he built a cardboard shelter under a bridge and lived there for several months.

Ray did 'make it' in life and shows us you don't give up. He takes the bull by the horns and never lets go until he has perfected his endeavours to his utmost satisfaction. He has spent his life improving the lot of his fellow human beings around the world. His work with *The Fred Hollows Foundation* and his recent 'Pod Incubator' are but two examples of his many good works in the field of providing affordable medicine to the world's poor.

His good works have earned him the award for New Zealander of The Year 2010, and he was knighted in 2011.

I salute you Sir Ray Avery - what an extraordinary life.

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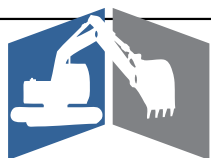
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Heritage Hotspot Paparoa Press Spring 2003

Not actually about heritage this month but a catch-up with what was happening in Paparoa ten years ago according to the Spring 2003 issue of Paparoa Press. The front page header was a thank you to Keep Paparoa Beautiful for their work with the cherry trees throughout the village. KPB had also been busy with re-roofing the gazebo on the Village Green as it had been leaking. Roofing must have been on everyone's mind - it had just been announced that Progressive Paparoa received \$5000 from Kaipara District Council to re-build the roof on the toilet building, also at the Village Green.

Other local events in the news - The Kaipara Rockers had been busy with numerous demonstrations around the district and had just been interviewed and filmed by Mai Time Television. Dennise Brownlie was painting the bullock team mural at the museum. Matakohē School was about to celebrate its 125th birthday with a reunion at the end of October and had a special supplement included in the Press.



Advertisers included several businesses which are no longer trading - Paparoa Trading Post/Maggie's Hoard, Sahara restaurant, Stutt's TV and Appliances, Kaipara Driving Academy moved on to Dargaville and has recently been incorporated into a firm operating out of Whangarei, Kaipara Meats was sold and the business moved on to Ruawai as Long Flat Bacon Company in 2005. PP

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KAIPARA LIFE - Spring Storms

It seems to me that this spring the Kaipara has been lashed by more than the usual quota of equinoctial storms and gales. In fact today as I write this the bay outside my window is again being whipped into a frenzy of white water and foam by yet another raging nor'wester. And while some of us take this as an opportunity to hunker down at home others are not so easily confined.



Last weekend for example, in spite of the stormy conditions, quite a few hardy souls set out in their trusty runabouts in the hope of returning with the winning fish for the Pahi Fishing Contest. As the sea state worsened in the afternoon at least a couple of Whakapirau locals, and probably some at Pahi as well, watched anxiously as the returning boats

fought their way across the turbulent waters of the bay.

Of course a valid argument can be made that to venture out on the harbour in this type of weather is not the smartest move. However I have to confess the day brought back memories of being caught out on the Kaipara - memories I wouldn't trade for the world. The exhilaration of riding an old time Kaipara launch as she drives through a steep and angry sea, with green water sliding past her portholes and wind-whipped spray blasting over her bow, stays with me to this day. For me, taking on the worst the weather can throw at you and coming safely out the other side is an experience I will always treasure.

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Saddlery Cottage circa 1880

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It is due to one young man's initial misfortune that Paparoa came to have the shop at all. His parents, Sally and Jim Birtle, first moved to Paparoa in the

1870s and struggled to make a living on their land. After several years the Birtles could no longer cope and returned to England. Yet, by 1875 they were planning to return and it was while still in England that the saddler-to-be, Edward Thomas, was born on Oct 27th 1875 in Liverpool.

On their return to Paparoa trouble returned with the death of Mrs. Birtle at age 29. Edward Thomas (Eddie) had to turn his hand to farming and household chores when not at (Paparoa) school. At age 12, while cutting chaff, his bootlace caught in the horse-powered machinery. Infection set in and first his foot was amputated, then most of his leg. For him, school finished at Grade 6. His father realised that farming was too hard for a one-legged boy and Eddie was sent to serve an apprenticeship with J. Wiseman and Sons, and so began his career as a saddler and boot maker. His aunt sent letters of support and wrote "I think you can get a cork foot for him..."

In 2013 we still dig up rejects of the saddlery and boot trade along with some rather delicate china. I am sure that I can visualise Eddie, after closing up shop, brewing the tea and pouring it carefully into some precious blue and white tea cup.

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	5th House Fire	Ruawai
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This is a good opportunity for parents to make new friends and



get support in their endeavours. There is a First aid workshop in the planning; check out the Plunket website www.facebook.com/northlandplunket.

MUSEUM MUSINGS ...



Historic House and Garden Tour -
Totara House kauri villa built in 1896

The Kauri Museum's annual *Settler's Day* event, on November 23rd, will focus on the opening of an exciting new addition for the preservation of local history. *TOTARA HOUSE* was entrusted to the Kauri Museum by the late Mavis Smith in 2000 but she continued to live there, as she had since birth, until her death last year, a lifetime of 102 years!

This treasure, gifted to the community, is no ordinary exhibit, but still a livable home. Walk in with a suitcase of clothes, a bag of groceries and settle down to an early 20th century lifestyle. A unique time capsule of everyday living made available to all. The opening ceremony is at 9.30am, the official party will consist of family and Trust Board members. Gabriel Thompson will bless the house and surrounds before the family cuts the ribbon. The heritage rose beds (with the ladies that care for them on hand) will be of special interest to visiting gardeners. Perhaps the pikelets and tea will also draw the crowds! An entry charge of \$10/adult and \$5/child, to assist with the upkeep, will include a vintage car ferry service from the museum (where Mavis Smith's book '*Child of The Kauri*' will be available to purchase).

Future *Totara House* visits will be by appointment only. Other activities, at the museum, on the day will include wood chopping displays on the tennis court at 11.30am and 2.15pm, woodworkers, tool collectors, quilters and much more. See you there!

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2nd	4.46pm	10.53am	18th	6.15pm	12.23pm
3rd	5.28pm	11.34am	19th	6.53pm	12.59pm
4th	6.11pm	12.16pm	20th	7.30pm	1.34pm
5th	6.56pm	12.58pm	21st	7.44am	2.09pm
6th	7.44pm	1.44pm	22nd	8.20am	2.47pm
7th	8.06am	2.32pm	23rd	8.59am	3.27pm
8th	8.57am	3.25pm	24th	9.41am	4.17pm
9th	9.52am	4.24pm	25th	10.30am	5.06pm
10th	10.54am	5.30pm	26th	11.26am	6.05pm
11th	12.01pm	6.40pm	27th	12.29pm	7.05pm
12th	1.12pm	7.49pm	28th	1.33pm	8.04pm
13th	2.20pm	8.27am	29th	2.33pm	8.36am
14th	3.19pm	9.28am	30th	3.28pm	9.31am
15th	4.09pm	10.19am			
16th	4.54pm	11.04am			

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Motoring Matters

I was shaken recently to read a magazine article informing me that the *Hillman Imp* car was announced to the world 50 years ago last May 3rd, when the Duke of Edinburgh opened the factory designed to manufacture the new model, built near Glasgow, at the insistence of the Labour government.

The story of the *Imp* is one of how not to build a new car. A new workforce, fresh from building ships on the Clyde, an advanced design requiring new skills, considerable pre-production development, and the car being rushed into production to meet that May 3rd date to suit the Duke's itinerary!

As the new factory rep in East Anglia at the time, I had to field enquiries from frustrated dealers unable to have the new car in their showrooms because too few had been built.

Within weeks of the introduction, problems began to appear: overheating, poor throttle response and many more, yet, in pre-production testing, none of these faults were found. Why? Because we drove the cars flat out for 500 miles a day to get as many miles on the clock as possible, then the car had to withstand the rigours of being driven a mile or so to the shops in heavy traffic, or a few miles on the daily commute, and troubles arrived in plenty. The makers were on the back foot and hoped-for production figures of 3000 cars a week never materialised, in fact the best week barely broke 1500.

Then manufacturers Rootes were taken over by Chrysler Corporation, who were not interested in small cars, and the factory was shut down in 1976. In spite of all these trials and tribulations, the *Imp* and its derivatives have a very strong following because it was, basically, a very good car.

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TENNIS COACHING SESSIONS
We're planning two coaching sessions with Grant, our professional coach, before Christmas, on 9 and 23 November.

Mark your diaries. Contact Sue Skelton 431 6 224

TABLE TENNIS
continues on Tuesday evenings after tennis from about 7.30pm in the sports pavilion. All ages and levels of experience welcome. Contact Pete 4316 822

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The World at Our Doorstep - report from YWAM

Well it hasn't been 'business as usual' for YWAM at Oak Ridge for the past couple of years so it's time for an update. YWAM (Youth With A Mission) is an international, interdenominational Mission group with 7 locations in NZ, as well as 1,200 in the rest of the world. Pahi was one of the earliest, which moved to Oak Ridge 20 years ago. Since then we've had students attending our 5-month training schools from almost every continent. Last year we took a break to restructure. Meanwhile in Matamata, two

groups were outgrowing a shared facility, while Oak Ridge was looking for school staff. A match made in heaven? It's been a hive of activity here as the two groups have merged. We also felt a fresh start deserved a fresh name, and were led to verses from the book of Isaiah about Mount Zion, about God healing, restoring, giving hope and a future – which is just what happens on our schools! So we're now known as YWAM ZION. The local roads were busy in September as our new students arrived. We have 12 nationalities

represented among the 26 students and 17 staff, so you could say you have the world at your doorstep! They're here for 3 months of intense training before heading out in teams to Asia and the Pacific for their Field Assignment. You might see them as they head out somewhere for an adventure, or to minister at a Church or Youth Group. They're enthusiastic young adults who are loving it here so do say hi if you get the chance. You're welcome to come to one of our Open Meetings on Wednesday nights.

art ... Fashion & Style

Last week I visited Kaiwaka, there's a nice little St John's op shop there. Why have so many of the lovingly handcrafted pots that were appreciated so much in the 1970s been discarded, to be bought now for a dollar or two? Serviceable clothes and household goods of outdated styles are similarly available. Is fashion important?

A look into the fashion clothing shop would seem to

answer, yes! Such fresh colours, new designs, quirky colour combinations, all catch the eye and bring a feeling of excitement and sense of progress in starting a new season in new clothes.

But the retro designs of some of the fabrics come straight from the 1960s and 70s: why are these and the shabby chic and vintage *objets* in the nearby café desirable when the pottery from the same era is not?

The movement that inspired Kaiwaka's Café Eutopia also arose in the 1970s; some of us remember communes (in New Zealand we called them *ohu*), and the wonderful 'Whole Earth Catalogue' that contained inspiration for hand built houses and traditional crafts. And who can forget tie-dyeing – well it's back again, although maybe it never quite went away.



A look at the amazing variety in the cheese shop is a happy reminder of the distance

we have come since the 1960s, when cheese came only in cheddar – mild, medium or tasty. Perhaps those round brown pots are due for a revival. Look for them in an op shop near you.

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Arts & Crafts Market / Garage Sale Sat 16 Nov, 9am-noon, Library carpark
Arty Farties - AGM Wed 27 Nov, 7pm, Sports Pavilion, Paparoa Showgrounds
Arty Farties • Summer Markets 9am-noon, opposite Village Green
 • Thur/Fri in the 'Tile Shed' ph Anne on 431 6229 to enquire
 • Crafty Kids Club alt Saturdays 10-2pm, Rm 5 Paparoa Primary School
 • Beginners Patchwork Group, Mon 7pm, Te Pahi River Drive
Badminton Thurs, years 5-11 5.30pm; older/experienced 7pm, Paparoa Hall
Bahai Faith Enhancing community-building Wed 12.30 or 7.30 ph 431 8488
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 Nov 16 & 30, Dec 14, Jan 4
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
Indoor Bowls Wed 2pm, Paparoa Hall ph Loraine 431 7290 or Robyn 431 7306
Kaiwaka Market Sunday 10 Nov & 8 Dec, Kaiwaka Hall 10am-1.30pm
Library Mon 1.30-4.30pm, Wed 10am-12noon, Thu 1.30-4.30pm, Fri 9.30am-1pm
 open all Market days - alternate Saturdays 9.30-1pm. CLOSED Sat Nov 2nd
Line Dancing Recommences soon ph Rose 431 7418
Mainly Music Wed 9.30am Paparoa Comm Church, ph Rebecca 431 7550
Maungaturoto 150th 1-3 November, details www.maungaturotomatters.co.nz
Music Makers 2nd Tues of month 7.30pm @ Cruiser Bar & Grill
Paparoa Community Church 10.30am every Sunday, Hook Road
Paparoa Lions Dinner Meetings 3rd Mon in month 6.30pm, Paparoa Hall
Paparoa Playcentre Tue & Fri 9.30-12noon, Visitors welcome ph Renee 431 6336
Paparoa Plunket Society Coffee Group First Tue/month, 10am Franklin Rd
Paparoa Primary School Term 4: 14 Oct - 13 Dec
Paparoa Primary School - PTA AGM Mon 4 Nov, 2.30pm @ School
Paparoa St Marks Anglican Church 2nd & 4th Sundays, 10am, Hook Rd
Paparoa Toy Library Wed 10.30-1pm, Paparoa Comm Church, Hilary 431 7330
Sports Pavilion - Community Dinner Sat 16 Nov \$15 (kids \$10) ph 431 6432
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PLEASE UPDATE US WITH YOUR DETAILS: paparoapress@orcon.net.nz PP

Pahi Fishing Contest

On 12 October, the Pahi Regatta Club held this event as a prelude to the 2014 Regatta in January. But with 40 knot winds blowing on the Kaipara, a big turn out was not expected! However, five boats braved the conditions, carrying a total of 12 hardy anglers. The boats couldn't go far so not many fish were caught, but enough to give out some prizes:

Heaviest snapper - Gravy Greaves
Heaviest kahawai - Mike Donald
Heaviest gurnard - Brad Greenall

Gravy also had the average weight snapper and received \$100 cash - donated by Ruawai Transport. Jacqui Donald was the only lady angler who braved the weather so she was given a voucher kindly donated by L'art De Beauty.

Although not many people got out on the water, we had awesome support from our members and other locals who came down and enjoyed a yummy sheep-on-a-spit dinner and supported our quick fire raffles. Altogether 45 tickets sold, so a great result. Thanks to everyone who supported this event. We hope to hold more

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Spice Grannies: from left Dorothy Boyd, Mary Corker & June Weber, photo courtesy Bream Bay News

Joining the Grey Nomads ...

Retirement is a wonderful time with the opportunity to indulge in an adventure or two. In March 2010 we set off across the ditch for 'the great Aussie experience'.

Purchasing a caravan and vehicle we covered 21,000kms from Queensland, to NSW, Victoria, South Australia and Northern Territory, and back to Queensland, returning to NZ in September 2010. Joining the annual pilgrimage up the Red Centre to Darwin was a fantastic experience. We met all sorts of people from many backgrounds and countries, though of course predominantly Aussies. The scenery was diverse, the wildlife amazing, and the learning curve immense.

Outdoor living is the ultimate lifestyle with the wonderful atmosphere of outside fires every evening wherever we happened to be. Free camping is available almost everywhere, often with great facilities thrown in and the socialising is always interesting, fun and informative – full of tips for the best campsites, the most interesting sights, and what roads to stay away from with caravans. All in all the trip was much easier than anticipated and we always felt safe and secure.

At the end of our journey it was nice to come home to Paparoa but we chose not to sell our vehicles, realising that we had seen only half of that big country.

So in March this year, we hit the trail again for another six months. This time Western Australia beckoned. We crossed the great Nullarbor Plains before reaching the amazingly beautiful coast of white sandy beaches, immense white sand dunes, and incredible seas of countless shades of blue. Further



north we visited ancient rock gorges and snorkelled beautiful reefs of coral and tropical fish.

All in all a wonderful journey in an amazingly large country full of wonders and raw beauty despite the harshness of climate and surroundings. And if you ever thought it would be too hard – anyone can do it. For the full journey join us on our blog on the internet – janandstu.blogspot.com

Janice Booth

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