



The Man from Matakohē...

Behind the scenes

EXHIBITION : Opens 17th October 2014

By the time this article is published, the final preparation and installation activities will be well underway for the opening of 'The Man From Matakohē' exhibition, showcasing the extraordinary life of local hero and war hero, Gordon Coates.



Joseph Gordon Coates speaking with the driver of locomotive Ab825 at Auckland Railway Station, November 1928

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The exhibition has been two years in the making. The first stage involved researching the available collections from Ruatuna, the Coates' family homestead, and The Kauri Museum in Matakohē. A concept design was developed, and with financial support from ASB Community Trust and NZ Lotteries Commission, the exhibition proceeded into the design and fabrication phases.

The Kauri Museum CEO, Lisa Tolich says, "One of the key objectives of this exhibition is to provide greater access and interpretation of collections that are not generally on display". The collections have undergone condition reporting and conservation by conservator Rose Evans and The Kauri Museum registrar Sheri O'Neill, to ensure their readiness for display. In some cases a rotation schedule was created to ensure that light sensitive and fragile objects are protected.

The entry foyer has been transformed



From left: Nick Tetzner and Adam Stevens installing the curved wall of the exhibition.

to meet the needs of a special exhibition space. Removable walls, track lighting and additional security measures have been installed. New display cases that have been manufactured specifically for this exhibition will also be available for temporary and travelling exhibitions in the future.

Interpretation of collection objects is key to the success of any special exhibition. The end result will be a cohesive narrative that brings the story of one of our nation's founding fathers alive for a new generation of New Zealanders. If you are looking for an uplifting and motivational tale of a forefather, whose contributions shaped the country that we know today, come and learn from the man who gets things done, Joseph Gordon Coates.

Lisa Tolich, CEO, The Kauri Museum

There must be something in the water

The recently incorporated Otamatea HarbourCare Society gets a chance to be part of a nationwide programme "Communities for Clean Water" which is happening around the country over the weekend of 18-19 October.

NZ Landcare Trust supports a number of community based initiatives around the region, many of which have strong ties with waterways. "We want to offer people the chance to experience some of the simple techniques we can use to understand the health of our waterways and an in-stream workshop is a great way to do this," says the Trust's Northland Regional Coordinator Jon Hampson.

The 'Whitebait Connection' team will be on hand with nets and traps, and will share their stream monitoring techniques and demonstrate how anyone can take an active interest in NZ's freshwater biodiversity.

Members of Otamatea HarbourCare Society will also attend to talk about the work they've been carrying out.

NZ Landcare Trust has been working with Otamatea HarbourCare Society, supporting their planting activities, including providing around 1,700 native plants. Funding for the plants came from the 'Reconnecting Northland' programme, the large landscape initiative that the Trust manages in partnership with WWF-NZ. This ambitious Northland-wide ecological restoration programme is the first of its kind in New Zealand, and aims to restore a range of natural processes and ecosystems across the whole region.

The workshop is on Sunday 19th October at Te Pahi Stream

by the SH 12-Griffin Rd, intersection at Maungaturoto, bring your gumboots! Details of the Northland in-stream workshop and other events taking place around the country are available on the campaign website - www.cleanwaternz.org.nz. Please note places are limited so register early to secure a place.

Mark Vincent

Visit www.landcare.org.nz for more info on the organisation, projects and communities involved.



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As an organisation or community group do you know why your volunteers are there, and do you create an environment that values them, appreciates them and encourages them to participate in the way that best suits them?

Volunteers need to know their involvement is making a genuine difference and that their contribution is both recognised and appreciated.

Good volunteer management creates a win-win situation for the volunteers and the organisation. A bit of planning and the right person leading the team can make all the difference to volunteers' motivation to stay involved.

Looking after volunteers

- Effectively respond to enquiries and create a welcoming environment.
- Find out what motivates your volunteers so you can keep them interested, it will be different for each person.
- Match volunteers to the roles available in the organisation.
- Share the workload.
- Provide orientation and training where needed.
- Ensure there is clarity around expense reimbursement and role expectations.
- Have a mentor or someone available for new volunteers to call with queries.

Keeping volunteers

- Understand there are many factors that contribute towards volunteers staying in an organisation, including personal e.g. motivation, life stage, and available time, as well as organisational e.g. length and usefulness of meetings, good leadership and communication.
- Ensure cost is not a barrier to volunteers' involvement.
- Ensure you communicate with volunteers and keep them up to date.
- Recognise, appreciate and thank your volunteers and supporters regularly and genuinely- take the time to ask them how they might like to be recognised and rewarded/thanked
- Have fun.
- Have well run effective meetings – but that is a topic for another day!



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The apples and pumpkins are finished at the Te Hana orchard for this year but they still have lots of citrus fruits. Lemon butter, marmalade, jam etc., taste better with fresh fruit.

Vegies from our Community Gardens are growing quickly and many seedlings are ready to plant. We will have some to sell at Paparoa market.

Now for something funny!!

Sue Clayton and myself planted one packet of tamarillos – nothing happened.

We tried another packet and they popped up in the blink of an eye – then we noticed our first packet had popped up, 200 tamarillos later! We will be selling them at the markets.

Seedlings for sale

We have lettuce plants, broad beans, tomatoes, peas, larkspur, hollyhocks, lavender, pumpkins, candy floss trees, tamarillos, water melon, cucumbers and several other plants as well. Some are from Heritage Seed. Ever heard of mangle beet, fairy floss tree and green tomato (heirloom variety)?

Has anyone got a recipe for green tomato jam – or any spare fruit from trees for the food banks? Let us know.

Cheers, Anne

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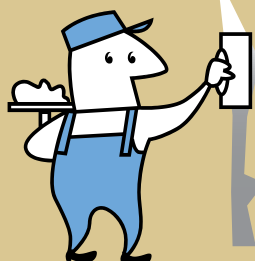
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Will WAG shake the town again in 2015?



Next year will be the 10th year of Paparoa's Wearable Arts Gala. Building on this year's spectacular show and rave reviews will be a challenge but WAG has become a significant event on the Paparoa calendar. If the event is to run a committee needs to be formed as soon as possible to allow contestants time to start creating their spectacular outfits.

A meeting to form a WAG15 committee will be held on Tuesday 14 October in Paparoa Hall at 7.30pm. The purpose being to allocate positions, decide on a theme and categories and a date for the event.

If you would like to be involved or know someone who would please spread the word and come along on the 14th. Further details phone Graham Taylor 431 7209 email grnt@xtra.co.nz



Oops - WAG Corrections

Last month we published some incorrect information about WAG14 prize winners. We print the correct details below:

PAT GEORGE AWARD (for a first time entry in any Wearable Arts Event):

Was won by Carlisa McCarroll for her entry in the Pacifica Section, "The Seven Stars of Matariki"

COLLEGE STUDENT AWARD:

Was won by the Flaming Dragon modelled by Aaron Phillips, designed by Aaron Phillips, Flynn Powell, Isaac Towgood. PP



Noeline Gatehouse, Alexandra Lady Smith and Colleen Smith pictured at the Kaipara Hospice fundraising luncheon held last week

Change at the helm

Regrettably after two and a half years, Kathy Reynolds, our talented editor has decided it is time to move on. Kathy took up the challenge of converting PP from a quarterly to a monthly and then expanding it from 12 to 16 pages. She has conscientiously produced a paper that is a standout among community papers of its type. Her attention to detail and focus on a consistently high standard has ensured PP a wide and appreciative readership. Her efforts will be sorely missed. PPI and the Press Gang thank her most sincerely for the time and value she has willingly given to the community and wish her all the very best for the future.

Sally Taylor has volunteered to pick up the challenge as the new editor. Our thanks to Kathy for assisting Sally with the transition to what is actually a complex and demanding job.

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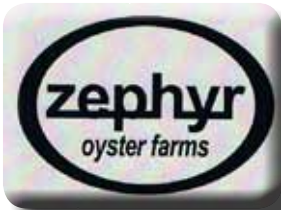
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2013 Elections!

Maybe it was September election fever but we inadvertently published a notice that was hanging around from 2013 regarding local government elections! For the record there are NO elections for local government or the DHB this year. We are sorry if this caused any confusion and assure readers that thankfully there will not be any elections for local government in Kaipara until 2015 and for parliament until 2017.

Spotlight on Jim Duffy

We apologise for an error in the 'Jim Duffy' article in July's Paparoa Press. We stated that Jim's wife Sharon's great grandmother worked in the Paparoa Post Office - this should have read:

Matakohe Post Office.



VISION -

Why we need our sponsors

Whenever a community group stages an event they often reach out to local businesses for support. In most cases the businesses willingly help out. Sometimes it is a cash donation or more frequently a donation of goods or services. Without this support these events would be much harder to put on.

Why do the sponsors do it?

For some it is just part of being in a small community and wanting to contribute to local events. Others are motivated by the publicity generated and see sponsorship as part of a positive advertising programme. Whatever the motivation it is seen as a win-win situation.

The list of thank-yous from the recent Defibrillator concert read like a who's who of local businesses and individuals. WAG14 sought both local and more distant support in an effort to spread the load.

While we as the local community get the benefit, it behoves us to support the sponsors. Many of these businesses have a small turnover and give most generously.

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Wake up to weeds... Moth plant (*Cruel plant / Kapok weed*)



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Could this vine be in your garden, roadside or bush area? Growth is rapid and evergreen; its twining flexible stems dominate by competing with and smothering other plants, climbing to the canopy and blocking light. The distinctive

large choko-like (pear-shaped) seed pods, once dry, split open to release 250-1000 thistledown-like seeds which disperse in the wind over long distances. These seeds can establish in disturbed forest, forest margins, shrub lands, mangroves, almost any frost-free habitat; the plant is shade-tolerant.

ERADICATION: The first step to eradicating this invasive vine is to destroy ripe pods: dispose of by burning, burying deeply or placing in rubbish bags. Because the milky sap is poisonous, always use gloves; pull up seedlings (all year round); remaining cut material can be left on site to rot down. Because stumps will regenerate, cut and thoroughly treat with Banvine or Brushkiller. Roots of large plants need to be cut off at least 5cm underground. Always apply chemical to cut stumps within 10 minutes. Many months' follow-up is needed until seeds in the soil are no longer viable.



Rally sprint comes to Paparoa

The Hibiscus Coast Motorsport Club will hold its rescheduled rally sprint event on 5th October. Service park and

The cars will start at the Central Road end of Arcadia and finish at the Porter Road end. As usual, all safety precautions will be in place. The rally cars cover the road against the clock, making four runs each: the fastest cars continue through more runs until the final is run between two cars!



headquarters will be set up at the Showgrounds and Paparoa Hall respectively.

Arcadia Road will be closed for the event in place of the usual Wearmouth/Franklin Roads.

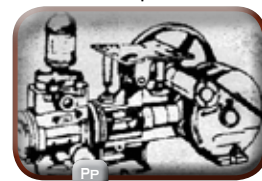
Paparoa Lions will be catering for contestants and support teams throughout the day, finishing with a Prizegiving dinner. This all raises money for the community. It is not anticipated that this year will be raising the dust of previous years!

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art *Something for
(almost) nothing*

This month: decoupage Decoupage is the art of cutting paper shapes and gluing them to an object. It was very popular in



Victorian England. In its purest form paper images are glued to the chosen object - often boxes or screens - then coated in many layers of varnish and polished, so the images appear to float.

However, as with many crafts, this technique is easy to adapt to contemporary styles. Images can

be cut from magazines and specially printed papers, or printed from Google Image. These are glued on to boxes, trays, or other suitable grounds such as op shop finds made of wood, cardboard boxes of all kinds, or even old furniture. The effect can vary from highly decorative to shabby chic.

Shabby chic is very popular and fun to achieve. Typically the ground is painted white or a pale pastel colour and decorated with flowers such as roses. When the flowers applied are torn from the top layer of paper napkins, the edges blend in almost invisibly. The paint is rubbed away to almost bare in places, suggesting that the item has been saved from the past and was much used and loved.

The photo shows a clock body that has been covered with print from old newspapers, then images copied from the internet and motifs cut from scrapbooking paper. It was rubbed with transparent paint and decorated with metallics. The new clock movement was set off-centre for interest. Total cost: \$6.75.

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arts, crafts & hobbies, jams & preserves, home brew, and there's also a special children's section. There are fruit and vegetable and dahlia classes to consider as the weather improves, and there'll be a range of cooking classes to enter. For further information or for *Indoor Section* schedules please contact the secretary Elaine Christie on 09 431 6011 or email echristie@actrix.co.nz

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We shall remember them

For almost one hundred years, (the RSA was formed in 1916) these words have been of great significance to wartime comrades, families and grateful communities from around our steadily developing nation.

The approach of the Gordon Coates commemorative exhibition at The Kauri Museum perhaps reminds us of the impact that terrible conflict had on the fledgling communities of a very young New Zealand. As a nation with strong patriotic ties to both Britain and Europe, our young men knew their duty and so they went off to war, those from Otamatea sailing down the harbour aboard the steam packet Tui Rangi Kaipara.

So, what effect did their absence have on family and community who were faced

with continuing to carry out everyday tasks, many of which assumed a far more urgent significance? Not only did local needs have to be satisfied but huge supplies of food vital to the war effort needed to be produced and shipped overseas.

In fact, at the beginning of March 1915, the Imperial Government introduced an act commandeering all food necessary for the armed forces and civilian needs. This was to last for the duration of the war and beyond for as long as required. Deprived of valuable manpower and essential skills, the community would have to adapt, as duty called them to utilise every available resource. Women, children and men too old for war coped with all the tasks essential to

the community.

For some families it didn't end there, not all men returned as they had left, there were those suffering disabilities that would be a burden for the rest of their lives.

These stories deserve to be remembered, recorded and shared in appreciation of the contribution and sacrifices made by the Paparoa community. Many of you are descended from those on the Roll of Honour and there are others who didn't have men at war but their families supported the community also.

Please, tell us your tales before it is too late, those left at home deserve the honour. If you don't wish to write something yourself, we will be happy to help, just contact the Paparoa Press. Maybe we should look at preserving the WW2 stories as well.

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In Residence:

- Liz Alsop has a daughter in Matakohē
Clyde Chapman formerly of Maungakārama, brother of Nicky Stutt (Pahi)
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Following WWII the railways gradually took over, so from the 1970s the Nivernais focused on tourism.

In recent years cycle paths have been added along the towpath, breathing new life into the area's economic activity. Its unspoiled and wild landscapes; its rich and varied cultural heritage, was to be ours to savour and enjoy for 14 days.

How lucky were we to begin our first day in sunshine with cloudless blue skies. Captain Bruce called the crew together with instructions as to how tasks were to be carried out when entering and exiting locks. A tough master, wife Renee soon had to remind him that the crew need praise for good work as well as reprimands for mistakes! By the third lock we all felt confident, and by the tenth we were faultless. Each lock has an 'eclusier' (lock keeper) in charge but they did appreciate a helping hand from one of us (Stu) which also made it quicker for us to get through. An All Black pen was presented to each and received with smiles and thanks. After

seven hours of motoring we called it a day and spent the night at a very nice marina, rising early to cycle to the township of Decizes to purchase our daily baguettes and croissants for breakfast and visit the local market. This was to become a daily ritual, looking for different cheeses etc. and of course local wines grown at the several wine regions throughout Burgundy.

The countryside we passed through was mostly farmland with Charolais cattle, lifestyle



flowering trees and varieties of white trunked birch created reflections and added to the tranquillity. Numerous grey cranes accompanied us and we were lucky to spot several playful otters at the edge of the canal. Apart from ever-present fishermen on the banks, it seemed as if it was our own private world, as it was not till the latter part of our journey



blocks and some cropping, with little villages close at hand. The houses were extremely old, some renovated but some beyond repair, not surprisingly as there are buildings which date back to the 500s! Always there were flowers, often in pots, and the lock keepers' painted stone cottages often had the most beautiful gardens of paeonies, roses, poppies, irises and geraniums.

Some villages had little groups of newer houses which kept to the old style and were most charming. All had at least one church, and some boasted amazing cathedrals with stunning architecture. At one we were treated to an organ recital plus music from the carillon of bells. Several beautiful chateaus would have been great to visit but were not open to the public. Along the canal side beautiful

that we began to meet other boats. There were many little picnic areas at which to stop – a bit like having a caravan on water. Cyclists were aplenty and waved as they recognised our little flags, Australian kangaroo for Renee and Bruce, and Silver Fern for us. When stopped there was often an opportunity to speak to other boaties, some who own their boats and spend part of the year on the canals. At one point we inspected a very ancient barge being restored by a group for a maritime museum.

Our journey ended in the town of Joigny after a total of 128 locks, 3 tunnels, and 8 lifting bridges over 254kms. It was a marvellous 14 days of fun, education, history, culture, nature and people – so much more than we expected. Vive la France. May we meet again.

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Pets in the Valley



Seeing as our new editor is a pig farmer I thought I might share a few piggy thoughts! Unfortunately pigs are not my favourite animals to deal with mainly because they are right up there with goats in their ability to scream at incredibly high decibel levels whenever you even think of doing anything with them. A quick google revealed pigs can squeal up to 100 decibels which is equivalent to a chainsaw or power saw, no wonder putting rings in pigs' noses is just as traumatic for me as the pigs! The main work I do relating to pigs is stitching up pig-dog wounds from the incredible damage a pair of tusks can do. They are one mean set of weapons.



I recently stitched up a

cow's belly where a pig had ripped her open. But on the other side of the coin there is nothing much cuter than little piglets running around, especially some of the kune kune ones that have the splotches of brown or black on them.

A few pig rearing tips: Water supply is very important. Pigs die very quickly without it. Never feed calf meal to pigs as it contains rumensin which is toxic to pigs. And finally if you keep breeding sows they should be vaccinated against leptospirosis 6-monthly.

Mmm now I feel like some bacon ...

Janine

Out & about around the district ...

Pahi Boating & Fishing Club is the new name for the former Pahi Regatta Club. At the recent AGM, the following Officers were elected: Commodore Mike Donald, Vice Commodore Ben Sheppard, Secretary Jacqui Donald, Treasurer Leah Greenall, Club Captain Kieron Slatter, Committee Members: Kurt Hyndman, Kane Ross, and Ryan, Darren and Brent Sheppard.

Leah can be contacted on 027 540 3770 for information.

Doreen Skelton has achieved Great Grandmother status with the birth of Jamie Malachi to her granddaughter Leigh, daughter of Glenda and Grant Blythen.

Our condolences to the family of **Ailsa Woods** (nee Cliff) who passed away recently. Ailsa went to school in Paparoa and stayed with the Misses Cliffs in Franklin Rd.

Congratulations to **Zack Hamlin & Isaac Sheppard** who are in the Northland representative team of 12 & 13 year olds and playing in the Northern Roller Mills rugby tournament during September & October.

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PP

In the Kaipara garden ...

Spring is here – one day warm, calm and sunny and the next the wind blowing with rain – typical for our Northland weather. Our seedlings are doing well in their protected environment – and the sunflowers and calendulas are planted outside in the garden.

However, a war is being fought against the slugs and snails with some wins for each side! It seems we have an ever-growing number of slug and snail species. Those tiny conical ones appeared a few years ago and are not so easy to get with snail bait but great to stomp on as they cover the concrete after rain! The huge tiger slugs (which someone once told me erroneously were carnivores) are easier to kill.

Interestingly all seem to be reluctant to slide over diatomaceous earth which can be used to protect plants. This is made from diatoms, tiny water living organisms made of silica (like tiny bits of glass) that have died and been deposited on the sea floor. This makes a non-chemical way of fighting the pests as long as no tiny slugs are hiding in the soil next to the seedling just planted.

I have resorted to slug bait in my war as they hunt out sunflowers and capsicums in particular but we are winning and the garden will still be full of colour and food next summer!! Good luck in your battles!!

Stella Clyde

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CIVIL DEFENCE: A quick word on Civil Defence. CD Northland recently ran a Welfare Centre workshop in Kaiwaka. Paparoa is now very lucky to have four fully trained Welfare Centre managers among us! A big thank you to those who have attended this workshop. It is great to know you are there if we need you.

Any questions regarding the Fire Force or Civil Defence, don't hesitate to call Yvonne on 431 6668.

Yvonne Yorke

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DAIRY DIARY

... the farming scene

As the last of the cows prepare themselves for calving and the grass prepares to grow, now is a good time to lift our beanies from over our eyes and take stock of how and where we are.

Not many farms can sail through calving, and I'm sure everyone has a tale to tell of challenges or hardships faced in this most demanding of seasons. Whether it is an untimely illness, issues with stock health or just the fatiguing effect of having to head out into it whether you like it or not.

We managed to lose the roof off our calf rearing/utility shed due to a mother of a storm at the start of calving. We didn't have power for a week and no phone for two. Our one year old son managed to pull the kettle down onto himself (major skin loss) and we lost four cows to severe metabolic conditions. It was a testing debut to calving but

we are still here and the sun was shining today. Things are looking up now though - our little boy's burns are healing well. The cows are in good condition (score average four), and are cycling well, in preparation for the start of mating on the 6th October.

As we have increased stock numbers this year and started to break in another 60ha of sheep country, there has been plenty to do between getting in calves, putting on fert, and organising our three boys.

Once a day milking has been a great move for cow condition and given the huge feed deficit we have faced all September, the pressure has been less on the cows. They are doing 1.3kg of milk solids and we are currently ahead in

production for the month and the season.

The target for the season is 50,000 kg.

Our calves are growing well and we are especially pleased with the 40 cross bred ones we bought in (due to a poor mating last year).

The bulk of them are on once a day feeds and are out on pasture rotating in front of the cows. We will need to de-bud them soon and will look at weaning the xbred calves at 100 kg and the jerseys at 80.

Oh well, time to head back out into it and collect any more miracles of nature that may have appeared overnight.

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Well done KDC!

An email arrived from Darlene Lang, KDC community liaison officer, advising residents to email or phone the hotline 0800 727 059 to report any roading issues. A return email reporting a slip on Whakapirau road prompted a phone call the next morning from a works engineer. Following a prompt inspection an email follow-up advised the work order number and 'hey presto' a couple of weeks later; all fixed!

Call KDC if you have any local issues.

Open Invitation

St Mark's Café series 2014

This year we are using selected episodes from the *Ancient Secrets of the Bible* series



2 October 12th - The Fiery Furnace

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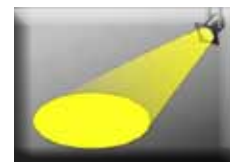
Spring finally arriving

What's Not



Broken glass left in a
beach fire near Dems Rd
at Pahi - thoughtless and
dangerous!

Spotlight on ... Paul Edlin



Paul Edlin is the new manager of the Paparoa website. Although a reasonably new permanent resident in our village, Paul and his wife Alice, have owned a property at Pahi since 2007.

They retired here approximately two years ago after redundancy forced a change in their lifestyle. Nevertheless, retiring is not quite correct as Paul is still very busy with computer contract work from his home: primarily website design and the challenges of graphics, and now also our village website. His vision for the latter is to see more participation from locals especially business owners, so that the website becomes a major resource to promote our area and a free vehicle for advertising.

Born in Rotorua, Paul has lived most of his life in Auckland. From his early childhood he has shown an interest in radio: from small beginnings with crystal sets, followed up with the change to electronics and the exciting new times of computers and all their



challenges. As the owner of a small boat, Paul enjoys time out fishing, and also helping his son with his boatbuilding business in Matakohē.

We welcome Paul to our community and are very grateful to have such an able and willing member join our group of community volunteers. PP

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Motoring Matters ... a mystery deepens

Several months ago I wrote about the proliferation of barn-finds that have come on to the classic car market, and mentioned one that I have been involved with over the years.

That was a Riley TT Sprite, a factory team racing car built in 1935; a friend was offered the car as long as he would restore it.

To get it home, he needed help and a large van, which I was able to provide. The car itself was in a very poor state in a shed near Chesterfield and to access it we needed to knock down a wall.

The car had a distinctive registration number and had been owned by several well known racing drivers just before and after World War 2. In that period it had been extensively modified and competed with honour against some of the best racing cars and drivers of the time.

After completion of the restoration, my friend drove it for several years with considerable success in vintage racing.

I then lost touch and came to New Zealand in 1974 and it was not until the arrival of the internet that I began to try to trace the car and its owner. I eventually found that the car resided in Switzerland and my friend had died in 2012.

A few weeks ago another friend, who lives in Pahi, lent me a copy of the New Zealand Riley News. Imagine my astonishment when I discovered a photo of the TT Sprite residing in Perth W.A.

I have since been in touch with both the Swiss and the Australian owners of the two cars and both are convinced they have the original car!

So, where do I go from here? I will keep you posted.

Graham Roberts

PAPAROA LIBRARY

Book Review : October

TITLE: THE HELP
AUTHOR: Kathryn Stockett



Released in 2009, this book tells the story of African-American maids working in white households in Jackson, Mississippi during the 1960s. Based on her own childhood when she was raised by maids herself, Kathryn creates three extraordinary women whose determination to start a movement of their own leads the reader down a road of humour, sadness, and understanding of the times in which they lived. Even if you've seen the movie do not hesitate to read this novel – it is so much better, giving a feeling of involvement which makes it hard to put down.

JB

TINOPAI SCHOOL

On behalf of the Board of Trustees,
Tinopai School would like to announce that the
2015 Tinopai Fishing Contest is **Full Steam Ahead.**

**The Fishing Contest will be held on
January the 10th, 2015, at Tinopai School.**

In respect of the new laws restricting educational facilities from holding events that are coupled with alcohol, the Board has decided that the 2015 Tinopai Fishing Contest will be alcohol free.

The contest will still have the same atmosphere, the same good fun, the same awesome people.

So nau mai, haere mai. Come and support Tinopai School.
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Mt Kilimanjaro



Paparoa's David Hames pictured with his mother Janine atop the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro, the highest mountain in Africa at 5895m, on 7th August this year. as part of a six day trek. David is one of the youngest New Zealanders to climb to the summit.

"I dressed and went for a walk - determined not to return until I took in what Nature had to offer."

Raymond Carver



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BUSY TIME AHEAD FOR PAPAROA SCHOOL

Paparoa Primary School have had a very busy term. Their annual Possum Purge was held over a wet and windy few days but this didn't seem to deter the hunters or the supporters of the school. This year a new record of 38 teams were entered into the event. Over 860 possums were caught and plucked for their fur.

The school held their prize giving on a wet and windy Sunday, but luckily families and community members still came and supported the school.

This year's fundraising effort will be used to purchase new shade sails for in front of each of the three classrooms and one for over the sandpit.

This will help all the children stay sun safe in the summer, while also making reading the activeboards easier in the classrooms.

Over the school holidays the next stage of property development will be underway

with new floor coverings being installed in all the office area and classrooms. This will help to finish off the look of inside the rooms, while electrical work will ensure that all classrooms have enough power points for their computers and gadgets. Hot water is also being installed in all bathrooms so children can wash with warm water.

The senior students took part in the annual Year 4 to 6 Hockey Fun day at Kensington Park, Whangarei on Tuesday 16th September. All the children got to play on the turfs and to compete against students from a wide range of schools with over 500 children attending the event.

All students have been busy planting their spring gardens and a new garden is also being created at the entrance way to the school. One of the senior students said, "it will be nice to have a garden here so that when guests come to our school they see that it is bright and colourful and a fun place to be." This is part of the Enviro Schools programme at the school.

Mrs Kim Tavinor, Principal
Paparoa Primary School

Don't forget- come along for Pet & Show Day on 17 October, check out the classrooms and children's work - and make a bid at the cake auction following pet judging.



Pahi Community Hall Society Inc.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday 18th October
11.00am at the Hall

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YOGA term 4

After the school holiday break, Paparoa classes will start again on the 20th October at the Sports Pavillion.

Monday 8.30-10am for the wake-up & energise class.

Thursday 8.30-10am is chair yoga focussing on restoration & recovery.

Thursday 5.30-7pm for relax and stretch time.

During November there will be a meditation based workshop; details to come in October or email Jenny for details!

No change to Matakahe classes also restarting 20th October.

Fees are \$35 per term or \$10 per casual class. Yoga in Paparoa, Matakahe and Maungaturoto is subsidised by Northtec Adult Community Education.

Jenny Gilberd-Longdon
longberd@gmail.com

Letters from the Old Post Office

This morning, Saddlery Cottage woke to an orchard frilled with veils of mist. White on white as the mist echoed the colour of the plum blossom. All was still, I took deep breaths of peace until the wood pigeon fell out of the tree. Too fat for that twig, brother, I thought, as it clumsily managed to right itself before embarrassingly, possibly fatally, crash landing on the grass beneath. I say fatally, as the cat was lurking and while an embargo has been placed on feline catching of wood pigeons it may well have been just a tempt too far.



Now this wood pigeon, or as it is known in this household as "the wood duck" (for clarification, apply to the man in the shed, he may tell) is a frequent visitor when the plum trees are in flower and later when the plums are only tiny, little beak fills. Of course, this means that the earliest fruiting tree bears only a few, fully grown plums, the rest are in pigeon's tum. However, the sight and sound of that bird crashing around in the tree every morning for a few weeks makes up for the poorer harvest.

Naturally, the cat has found he cannot share this tolerant view and has learned to express his irritation in a healthy game of, "Let's chase the squealing Doberman around the fruit trees." It never fails to amuse. In turn, the dog will later take it out on the chooks and give them a 'tickle up' when they venture too close to the house.

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Deb C



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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 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

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 Oct 4, 18, Nov 1, 15, 29

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

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Line Dancing Thurs 10.30am Paparoa Hall ph Rose 431 7418

Mainly Music Wed 9.30am Paparoa Comm Church, ph Rebecca 431 7550

Matakohe Music Makers 2nd Wed in month 7.30pm @ Sports Pavilion, \$2 pp

Northtec Horticulture Thurs & Fri, Community Church, Hook Rd, ph 021 0230 6465

Otamatea Harbour Care Instream workshop 19 October Griffen Road/SH 12

Otamatea Quilters 1st Tue/mnth 7pm & 3rd Mon 10am, Paparoa Hall 09 439 2262

Otamatea Quilters Annual Exhibition The Kauri Museum October 21-Nov 17

Pahi Community Hall AGM 11am 18 October All welcome

Paparoa Community Church 10.30am every Sunday, Hook Road

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Paparoa Lions Dinner Meetings 3rd Mon in month 6.30pm, Sports Pavilion

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Paparoa Plunket Society Coffee Group 1st Tue/month, 10am Franklin Rd

Paparoa Primary School Term 4 Oct13-Dec11

Pet & Show Day Fri 17 October

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Selwyn Centre Thurs 10am for over 65's, St Marks, Hook Rd, ph 431 8193

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St Mary's Catholic Church 10am Wed, 6pm Sat, Maungaturoto

Tai Chi Tues 11am, Sports Pavilion, Showgrounds ph Shirley 431 6408

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The Kauri Museum 'The Man from Matakohe' exhibition opens 17 Oct

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Waka Ama Tues & Thur evenings 5pm, Sunday 10am, Pahi Domain

WAG 2015 Open meeting 2015 committee Tues 14 Oct Paparoa Hall 7.30pm

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Over the last five years the changing nature of local trade has slowly made operating more difficult, with a decline in both maintenance and new work and large fluctuations in monthly workloads - to a point where we have decided a change is necessary.

From October 6th I will still be engineering, but on a contract basis to Huband Contractors in Maungaturoto.

So after 21 years operating in Paparoa, Gail and I would like to thank all our past and present customers for their support and hope we have been able to be of service to you all.

Ken Blythen

HOOK LINE & SINKER



The fishing is about the same as usual for this time of the year.

A few nice snapper have been caught in the last couple of weekends, and no kahawai or gurnard. Not many fishermen have been seen out on the harbour either, probably because of the wet and windy weather, but you just need to dress warmly and try your luck.

Gravy

LOCAL TIDES for October 2014

OCTOBER TIDES - CALCULATED for PAHI-WHAKAPIRAU

DATE	LOW	HIGH	DATE	LOW	HIGH
1st	10.19am	4.47pm	17th	12.10pm	6.54pm
2nd	11.18am	5.51pm	18th	1.23pm	8.05pm
3rd	12.27pm	7.05pm	19th	2.30pm	8.38am
4th	1.41pm	8.19pm	20th	3.25pm	9.32am
5th	2.50pm	8.53am	21st	4.10pm	10.19am
6th	3.52pm	9.56am	22nd	4.51pm	11.00am
7th	4.46pm	10.51am	23rd	5.29pm	11.38am
8th	5.35pm	11.41am	24th	6.08pm	12.16pm
9th	6.22pm	12.28pm	25th	6.46pm	12.53pm
10th	7.06pm	1.12pm	26th	7.26pm	1.31pm
11th	7.49pm	1.55pm	27th	7.46am	2.11pm
12th	8.09am	2.36pm	28th	8.28am	2.54pm
13th	8.49am	3.14pm	29th	9.13am	3.41pm
14th	9.31am	3.59pm	30th	10.04am	4.34pm
15th	10.15am	4.47pm	31st	11.03am	5.36pm
16th	11.07am	5.44pm			

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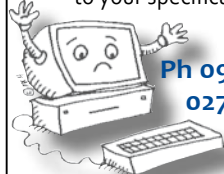
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Paparoa Community Dinner

In early September 50 locals braved a wet Saturday evening to enjoy another delicious meal cooked by the Paparoa Sports and Recreation Association committee and supporters at the Sports Pavilion.



Solo performance winner
Emma Scott-Rankin performing for
Paparoa locals in September

This time it was curries, casseroles and Jane's homemade breads with local Chapel Grove olive oil, followed by Pauline's lovely pudding.

Emma Scott-Rankin, local high school student entertained with her beautiful singing and guitar playing. Emma recently won the Northland Smokefree Rock Quest solo performance and guests could see why. She was delightful and highly talented. Pete educated us somewhat about past NZ politics with his pop quiz that he is becoming famous (in the Sports Pavilion) for.

Is there interest for another dinner in November? If so let Vickie Owens know 4316 432. PP

Otamatea Quilters Exhibition

The Otamatea Quilters 2014 exhibition takes place from Oct 21 to Nov 17 at The Kauri Museum. Quilters will be in attendance over Labour weekend, Oct 24-27th.

This year marks the 30th year since the establishment of the Otamatea Quilters. In 1984 patchwork classes were tutored at local schools by Jan Robinson and from there has developed the group there is today. Members have diverse quilting skills ranging from block piecing to applique, embroidery to machined piecing. We meet twice monthly, on the first Tuesday 7-9pm, and the third Monday 10am-12noon. Members are encouraged to take part in the annual challenge and other club projects. A raffle quilt is made by the group, proceeds from which go to various volunteer organisations in the district. This year recipients are St John and Rescue Helicopter. Community Quilts are also made for donation to local welfare organisations.



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5 Questions for ... Julie Dry

How long have you been in Paparoa? I was born in Paparoa then lived on a farm along Oparakau Road. I attended Matakoho School and Ruawai College.

What did you do after schooling? I worked at the Northland Dairy Company in Ruawai and then at what is now The Vet Centre. After marrying, I became a partner in a busy trucking business, getting my HT licence and being on the road too! Since living in Paparoa village, I worked part-time as caretaker/cleaner at both Matakoho and Paparoa Schools – but not at the same time!

What were you doing recently? For many years I worked at the Paparoa Store in the shop and sorting the mail. I also kept busy with community housework.

What are you doing now? With my partner, I have taken the job of Camp Manager at the Pahi Beach Holiday Park (previously Pahi Motor Camp) which is run by the Pahi Domain Board. I am looking forward to our first summer season.

And what lifetime hobbies and interests do you have? I have always loved knitting and have made many interesting garments – getting paid for that at one stage! But my five beautiful cats (my best friends) are my huge interest.

