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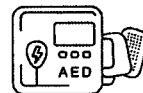
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EDITORIAL

Andrea and I shifted to Eureka in December 2016, along with our then teenagers, Jack and Ellie.

We were very fortunate to purchase our home from long-time Eureka residents, Jack and Linda Hooper and we have never regretted our move, we feel completely at home in this wonderful locality. After selling a bare block for the Hoopers to Ross and Jess, I told Jack I was going to buy his block and 6 months later, we did exactly that!

Life has never stopped since we got here, we've built sheds and cattle yards, whacked the house out a little, gotten into breeding Hereford cattle, had Jack and Ellie finish school and so much more. What Eureka truly has in huge quantities is community spirit. Whether we have hay to pick up, a stuck tractor, a difficult calving, I've never struggled to have a helping hand.

Ditto if you look at our local Anzac Day commemorations, all thanks to the wonderful volunteers; the Eureka district comes out in great numbers to keep this special day alive.

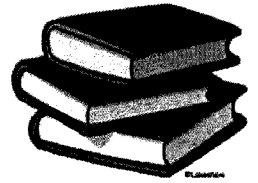
Andrea and I continue to work our real estate business, Harcourts Kevin Deane Real Estate, whilst I also look after Justice of the peace duties locally and in Morrinsville. Jack is about to commence rural banking with Rabobank in West Australia, while Ellie heads to Cromwell next year to work on her accounting qualification to run with her law degree.

With Eureka being a short drive to everywhere and lots of great neighbours all around us, the last ten years have been a real blast with only one regret – we should have moved here earlier!!



Community Library

Our library is looking a bit sparse. If any one has a book or two to drop in and keep it updated that would be great. We would appreciate a few children's books as well. These seem to go very quickly.



Aluminium cans & Scrap Metal



Ace has offered to take all of our aluminium cans. He will save them up and crush them in his machine and take them to the recycling centre. When you have collected a few you can drop them off at Ace's address which is 28A Eureka Road (take the driveway that is straight ahead). Look for a bin he might have by the shed or leave them there for him in a bag. If you have any scrap metal you want rid of then please give Ace a call (021 02889247). He is willing to pick it up and take it away for you. All monies made from these things he is kindly donating to the Eureka Express.

Thank You

A very big thank you to those in the community who keep our hall area clean and tidy.

Thank you for mowing the lawns, keeping it weed and rubbish free, and picking up the branches that fell during high winds.

Also thank you to the people who faithfully deliver the Eureka Expresses each month, the hubbies who help us by hoping in and out the vehicles, while we drive and to those who submit articles each month, we truly appreciate you all.

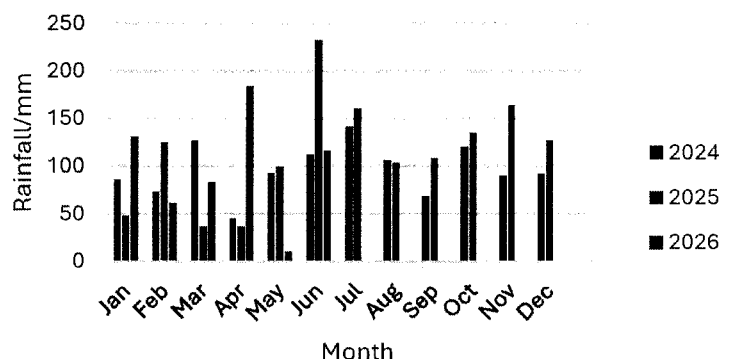


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WEATHER

June Weather	2026	2025
Rainfall total	116 mm	232.5 mm
Rain Total for year	585mm	576 mm
Rainy days	10	14
Most daily rainfall	28mm	85 mm
Temp high	19.2° C	18.8° C
Temp low	-1.7° C	-1.6° C

Rainfall



Speed limit changes to begin across Waikato District



Residents across Tamahere and Tauwhare will begin seeing new speed limit signs installed from 20 July, as Waikato District Council rolls out its 2025 Speed Plans

Management Plan across the district. The programme will see approximately 270 sections of road updated, with installation expected to be completed by early September. Each new speed limit becomes legally enforceable once the new signs are in place.

For the Eureka, Tamahere and Tauwhare area, a number of local roads will be affected:

- Tauwhare Road will reduce from 100km/h to 80km/h between Hoeka Road and Platt Road.
- The existing 80km/h section on Tauwhare Road between Woodcock Road and the surrounding area will reduce further to 60km/h, with Council extending this lower-speed zone a further 100 metres east of Woodcock Road, following community feedback.
- Hunter Road (SH26 to Tauwhare Road) will reduce from 100km/h to 80km/h.
- Platt Road will reduce from 80km/h to 60km/h south of SH26.
- Shaw Road, Catra Place and Ringer Road will all reduce from 100km/h to 80km/h, along with several other rural roads throughout the ward.
- Ringer Road from 350m east of Tauwhare Road to Victoria Road 100 to 80km
- Oak View Place from Platt Road to End 80 to 60km
- Appleton Lane Hammerhead from Start west/Gate) to Appleton Lane 70 to 60 km
- Appleton Lane from Eureka Road to Appleton Lane Hammerhead 70 to 60km
- Eureka Road from State Highway 26 to 550m Northwest of State Highway 26, 70 to 60km

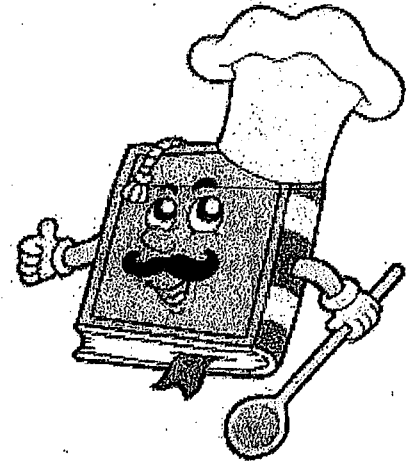
The plan also confirms updated school speed limits for several local schools:

- Tauwhare School will receive a new 50/30km/h variable speed limit on Scotsman Valley Road, operating between 8.30-9.15am and 2.45-3.30pm on school days.
- Matangi School will also move to a 50/30km/h variable speed limit on Matangi Road.
- Tamahere Model Country School will continue with a variable speed zone on Devine Road, changing from the current 50/40km/h arrangement to 50/30km/h during school peak times.

Please be aware that there are some 270 sections of road affected throughout the region, these are just some pertinent to our areas that I can see.

To find out whether your local roads are affected and view maps of the changes, read the 2025 Speed Management Plan at waikatodistrict.govt.nz/roadsafety.

TASTE BUDS



Tea Riffic Chicken

8 chicken pieces, either breast or legs
4 tbs honey
2 cups hot tea
4 potatoes
2 garlic cloves grated or chopped fine

1 onion sliced
4 tbs soy sauce
Black pepper to taste
2 tbs butter
salt/pepper to taste

Method

Place chicken and onion in a large fry pan, brown. Combine all ingredients and pour over chicken, reduce heat, then boil gently till chicken is cooked and liquid has reduced. Thicken with corn flour if desired. Serve with lightly roasted potatoes in butter, grated garlic, salt and pepper to taste. Any veg goes well with this meal.

Lemon Curd Meringue

2 large free-range eggs separated
55 g self-raising flour
1 lemon grated rind and juice

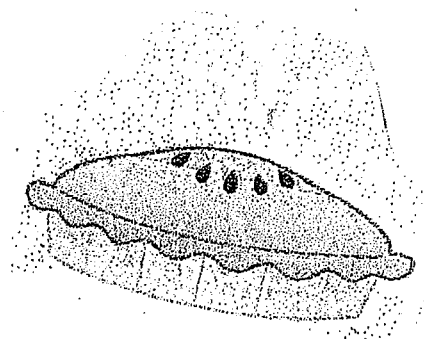
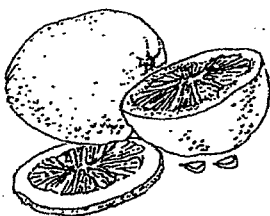
55 g butter
285 ml milk
115 g sugar

Method

This is tasty and dead easy to make. It looks good cooked in a Pyrex dish, as it goes into layers as it cooks, with a sort of lemon curdy custard at the bottom and a spongy meringue top.

Preheat the oven to 200°C/400°F/gas 6. Cream the butter, sugar and lemon rind in a mixing bowl. Add the egg yolks and flour and beat in, then add the milk and 3 tablespoons of lemon juice and mix well.

Whisk the egg whites in a separate bowl until stiff, then add the rest of the mixture. Mix it all well but don't over-mix it; you don't want the air to come out of the egg whites. Pour into a buttered ovenproof dish, stand the dish in a roasting tin about a third full of water, then bake in your preheated oven for about 45 minutes until the top is set and spongy and it's a nice golden colour.

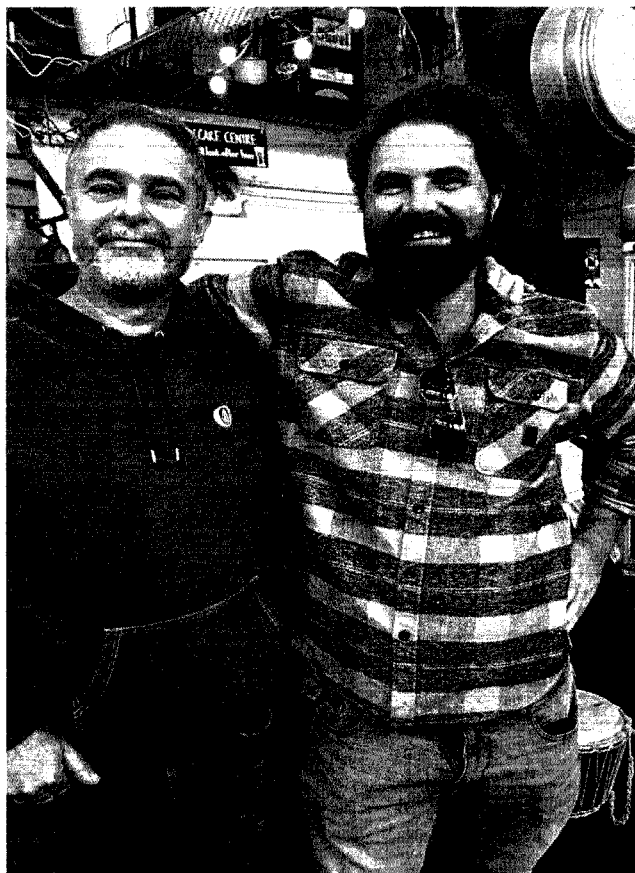


BOOTLEG BREWERY IN AUGUST



More than beer is brewing at Bootleg.

There's a new brewer in Matangi, and we're excited to see what he comes up with. Luke has worked in a number of breweries around the North Island, so we're excited to see what new ideas he comes up with. But the secret weapon at Bootleg is the collaboration between Fraser Graafhuis, one of the owners who researches recipes, and the brewer who makes the brews. That has always proved to be an award-winning combination and will continue.



Elton has been instrumental in the brewery's success so far. But we're interested to see what Luke Taylor (on the right) brings to our party. Welcome to Matangi mate!

CATERERS COMING UP IN AUGUST

Thu 30 th	Suzuya Japanese
Fri 31 st	Sweet and Sassy Smokehouse
Sat 1 st	Kai On Wheels Big Burgers
Sun 2 nd	Kaliméra Pizzas
Thu 6 th	Suzuya Japanese
Fri 7 th	Sweet and Sassy Smokehouse
Sat 8 th	All Around The World
Sun 9 th	Kaliméra Pizzas
Thu 13 th	Suzuya Japanese
Fri 14 th	All Around The World
Sat 15 th	Sweet and Sassy Smokehouse
Sun 16 th	Kaliméra Pizzas
Thu 20 th	Suzuya Japanese
Fri 21 st	Thai On The Fly
Sat 22 nd	Suzuya Japanese
Sun 23 rd	Kaliméra Pizzas
Thu 27 th	Thai On The Fly
Fri 28 st	Suzuya Japanese
Sat 29 th	ROAM
Sun 30 th	Smokin' Oak Barbecue

We're mixing up the food caravans who are coming to Matangi from now on, so keep an eye open for some new takeaway suppliers.

And the local favourite, ROAM is back on the 29th. Put it in your calendar!

Smokin' Oak is back on the 30th. That will be a big Sunday!

Our new fireplace is proving a huge success, thanks to the great dry firewood which has come from Central Landscape Supplies Eastside. Thanks Andrew. The taproom is cozy as!

The food caterers are all happy to cater to anyone while the brewery is open, and the food can be packed for takeaways

In the Old Dairy Factory, 452 Matangi Road, MATANGI. Ph 022 463 1726



Gardening Tips

Pruning roses is one of those garden tasks that feels intimidating until you've done it once — then it becomes oddly satisfying. Here's the clear, practical way to do it so your roses stay healthy and bloom like they mean it.

Cut out anything dead, weak, crossing, or diseased. Then shape the plant so air and light can reach the centre. Aim for strong, outward-facing buds.

When to prune

Late winter to early spring (when the plant is still dormant, but the worst cold has passed). Light shaping and deadheading can be done all season.

How to prune step-by-step

1. **Start with the obvious:**
 - Remove **dead wood** (brown, dry, brittle).
 - Cut out **diseased or damaged canes**.
 - Remove **thin, spindly stems** thinner than a pencil.
2. **Open the centre:** Roses need airflow to avoid fungal problems.
 - Remove canes that grow **toward the centre**.
 - Remove **crossing branches** that rub against each other.
3. **Shape the plant:**
 - Choose 3–5 of the **strongest, healthiest canes** to keep.
 - Cut them back by **one-third to one-half**, depending on how big you want the plant.
4. **Make clean cuts:**
 - Cut $\frac{1}{4}$ inch **above an outward-facing bud**.
 - Angle the cut **away from the bud** so water sheds off.
5. **Clean up:**
 - Remove all debris from around the plant — it helps prevent disease.

Special notes for different rose types

Hybrid teas & floribundas: Prune hard — leave 3–5 strong canes, cut back significantly.

Shrub roses: Much easier. Just shape them and remove dead wood. They tolerate heavy pruning.

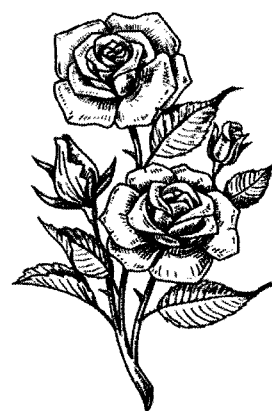
Climbing roses: Don't prune heavily. Remove dead wood and shape but keep long canes — they produce the most blooms.

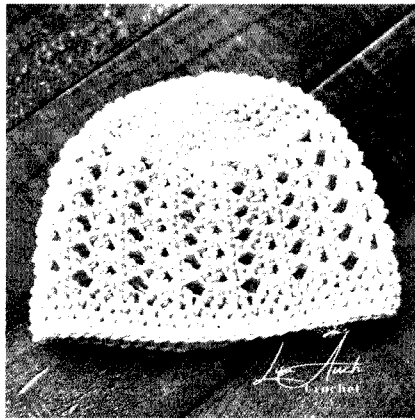
After pruning

Add compost around the base.

Feed with balanced rose fertilizer once growth appears.

Mulch to retain moisture.





Crochet Shell Pattern Beanie

- **Round 1:** Ch 3, work 6sc into the first chain. (6 sts)
- **Round 2:** 2 sc in each st. (12 sts)
- **Round 3:** 2 sc in next st, 1 sc in next st; repeat around. (18 sts)
- **Round 4:** 2 sc in next st, 1 sc in next 2 sts; repeat around. (24 sts)
- **Round 5:** 2 sc in next st, 1 sc in next 3 sts; repeat around. (30 sts)
- **Round 6:** 2 sc in next st, 1 sc in next 4 sts; repeat around. (36 sts)
- **Round 7:** 2 sc in next st, 1 sc in next 5 sts; repeat around. (42 sts)
- **Round 8:** 2 sc in next st, 1 sc in next 6 sts; repeat around. (48 sts)
- **Round 9:** 2 sc in next st, 1 sc in next 7 sts; repeat around. (54 sts) Circle diameter to measure 4.25 inches
- **Round 10:** sc in each st around, slst into the next st (this is the new beginning of round)
- **Round 11:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, ch 1, 2 dc in same st. Skip 3 sts, (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in next st; repeat from * to * around. slip st to first dc to join (12 shells)
- **Round 12:** Sl st into next ch-1 space. (Ch 3, dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in same space. Work (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in each ch-1 space around. slip st to first dc to Join.
- **Rounds 13 Round 16 :** Repeat Round 12, until Hat from top to Bottom Height is 5.5 inches
- **Round 17:** Ch 1, sc in same st and, *sc in next st, skip ch1 space, sc in next in each stitch* repeat around. Join. (simply skip the ch1 space, do not make a sc in the ch1 space)
- **Rounds 18-20:** Repeat Round 16. until hat height is achieved 6 inches Fasten off and weave in ends.

Crochet Flower Pattern for Baby Hats

Round 1:

Ch 4, sl st into first ch to form a ring.

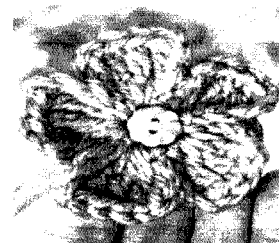
Round 2:

Ch 1, (sc, hdc, dc, hdc, sc) into ring — this creates your first petal.

Repeat from * to * 4 more times to make 5 petals. (All petals are worked into the same center ring.)

Sl st to first sc to join. Fasten off leaving a long tail and weave in ends.

Stitch a small button or pearl in the centre for added charm.



Paper Towel or Toilet Roll Creatures

You could use

Paper towel or toilet rolls

Paint /Paint brushes

Scissors

Marker pens

Coloured paper/card

Craft Glue



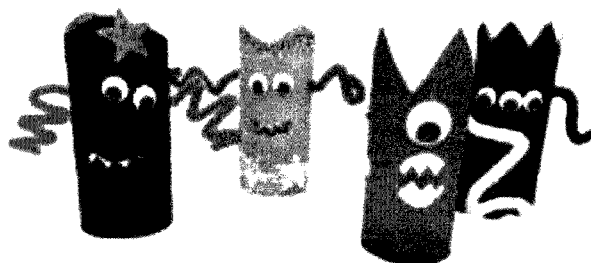
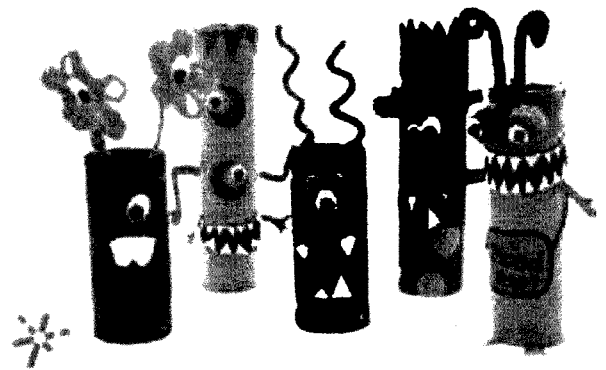
Any other craft supplies you have around your house, pom poms, googly eyes, pipe cleaners, stick on gems, stickers

STEPS: Cover your work area with newspaper or plastic

Simply paint the paper roll or cover it with coloured paper, and then add some eyes, arms, antennae, wings, teeth, tail, hair or whatever your creature needs to come to life.

Cut a circle and glue to bottom and use as a pen or pencil holder.

Let your imagination run wild creating animals, insects, monsters or anything you can think of.





Massive shoutout to Jaime and the DirtWorks team/extended whānau, along with Rob- two of our amazing Pūkekos dads- for giving up their entire weekend to install our new playground, bark, and timber framing!

A huge thank you as well to our generous supporters:

- Harcourts, for providing a grant towards the cost of the playground.
- Our incredible families and wider community, whose donations and fundraising efforts helped raise hundreds of dollars for this project.

We're so excited to see this much-needed upgrade come to life at Pūkekos.

And the best part? We raised more than expected... which means there's even more to come.

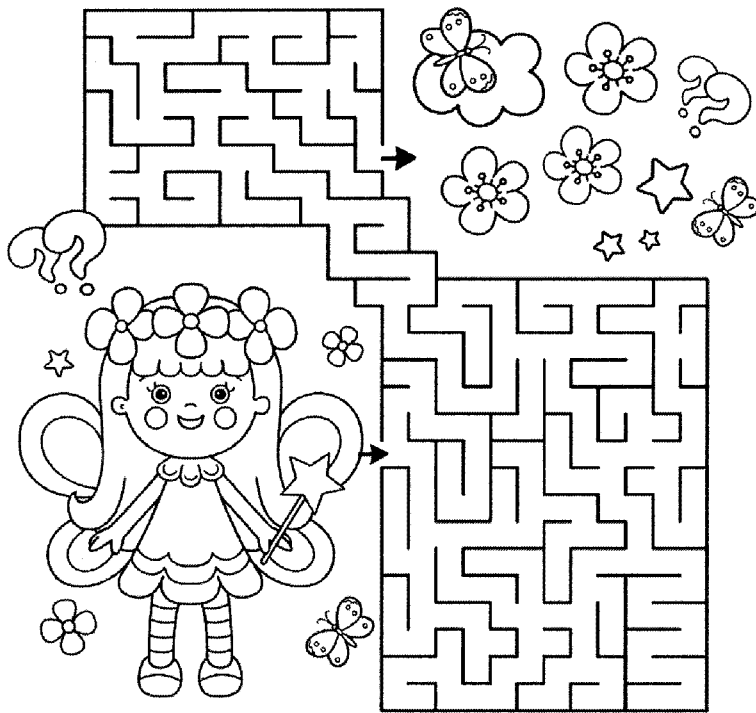
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Nga mihi,
Alea Mosen
Centre Lead





Help the flower fairy to pass through the maze



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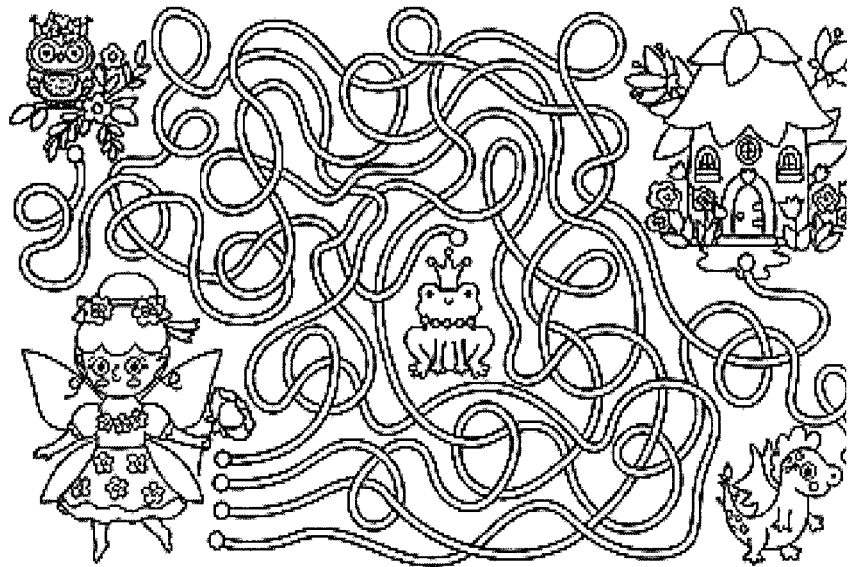
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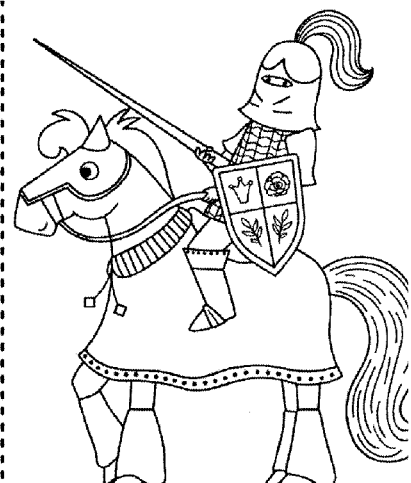
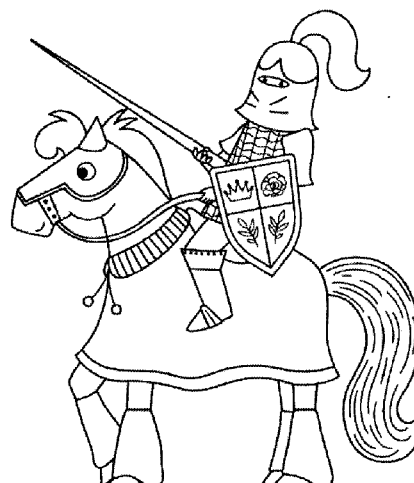


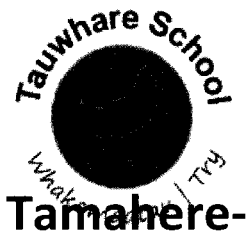
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TOP NEWS

Grandparents & Special People Day

Grandparents' Day was a wonderful celebration of connection and community. It was fantastic to welcome so many special people into our school to share in the children's learning. The morning featured beautiful waiata, an energetic Jump Jam performance, and classroom visits where students proudly showcased their learning. We then enjoyed a relaxed cup of tea, providing a wonderful opportunity to connect and celebrate the special relationships that make the Tauwhare School community so strong. Thank you to everyone who joined us.

Goals, Grit & Great Games

Tauwhare Lacrosse continues to grow in popularity, quickly becoming a much-loved sport within our school. Although it is relatively new to Tauwhare School, the enthusiasm, commitment, and teamwork shown by our players has been outstanding. It has been brilliant to see students embracing the challenge, developing new skills, and supporting one another both on and off the field. Blake, Ryan, Heidi and Harper talk strategy on the sideline before taking to the field as Tauwhare Lacrosse legends.



Breaking It Down, Building Them Up

(Right) Olivia proudly shows dividing 10 into 5 equal groups, demonstrating her mathematical thinking and perseverance. "Division is like a puzzle, and I know I can solve it. It is fun when it's tricky." Said Olivia. At Tauwhare School, we are committed to growing great kids through high quality learning experiences, and living our values of Respect, Resilience, and Responsibility. These values underpin everything we do, helping our tamariki develop the knowledge, skills, and character to thrive both in and beyond the classroom.



Woodlands Councillors' update July 2026

Tamahere-Woodlands Ward volunteers honoured with Mayoral Awards

Congratulations to Richard and Sally-Ann Riddell of Gordonton, to Russell Gibbs of the Tamahere Mangaone Restoration Trust and to the Predator Free Tamahere Conservation Trust who were all local recipients of the 2026 Waikato District Mayoral Awards presented at a ceremony in the Council Chambers in July.

Richard and Sally-Ann Riddell are an unassuming yet dynamic dairy-farming duo who have, together, contributed to the wellbeing and vitality of the Gordonton community for more than three decades. Richard is a member and former chair of the Gordonton District Committee who has also held governance roles on the Gordonton School Board and the Hukanui Golf Club. He formed the Woodlands Cricket Club in 1990 to hold flagstaff events for local business teams. Sally-Ann is a local artist and founding member of the Gordonton Art and Design Trail, now a significant regional attraction. She has served as St Mary's Church People's Warden since 2016, as the Gordonton Hall bookings officer since 2019 and as an Orini Garden Club committee member since 2008. She is also a former member and fundraiser for the Taupiri Playcentre and Gordonton School PTA.

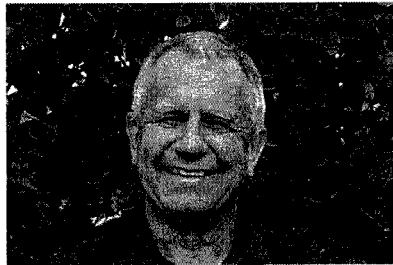
Russell Gibbs got involved in a project in Tamahere 14 years ago to clear gullies, plant native trees and create tracks for public use – a project that led to the establishment of the Tamahere Mangaone Restoration Trust (TMRT). Russell has been secretary-treasurer since the beginning handling funding applications, helping develop an MOU with the Council and a successful targeted rate application with skill and dedication. Russell manages the accounts and regular reports to the Council as well as an annual Operations Plan and five year Work Plan. From its first project in the Tamahere Reserve, TMRT has now cleared plant pest species across three sites, planted over 24,500 natives and helped construct about 3.8kms of track.

Predator-Free Tamahere, established in 2022, is a grassroots conservation movement transforming the ecological wellbeing of the Tamahere community. Led by a committee of six, the group has united residents, landowners, schools and local organisations in a shared mission to restore native biodiversity and protect the district's unique gully systems. To date 13,463 pests have been removed, with 572 traps now in operation, leading to measurable gains in native bird presence and improved habitat resilience. The group demonstrates what can be achieved when local people take ownership of local challenges.

Council merger proposals

Thank you to all those who turned up to discuss Council amalgamation options with your Mayor and local councillors at meetings across the district – and across our Ward in Matangi, Tamahere, Newstead, Tauwhare, Puketaha, Gordonton and Eureka. We've heard that rates affordability, managing debt and a strong local voice are some of the things that matter to you as we engage in the biggest local government reorganisation in nearly 40 years. Your Council has welcomed the feedback received both verbally but also in written feedback and submissions. A final decision on an 'outline proposal' to be presented to Government by 9 August will be made at an extraordinary Council meeting on 5 August. If accepted by the Government 'in principle', the proposal will undergo more detailed design and the community can expect to be consulted again early in the New Year before the proposal is refined to enable the Government to make a final decision in May. Head Start proposals accepted by the Government will be put in place through legislation in time for the 2028 local body elections. If the proposal is rejected then the Council will be subject to a mandatory 'backstop' which means reorganisation by legislation after the 2028 elections.

Contact your Tamahere-Woodlands Councillors:



Crystal Beavis, mob 0275 957 927, email crystal.beavis@waidc.govt.nz

Mike Keir, mob 027 449 3012, email mike.keir@waidc.govt.nz

Priority risks in rural Waikato-



Severe storms and flooding

The Waikato region can experience heavy rain, flooding, slips, and road closures.

Prepare by: Knowing multiple routes to town, school, work, and medical care.

Keeping vehicles fueled above half a tank.

Having enough supplies to stay home for at least a week if roads become impassable.

Clearing drains and waterways around your property.

Extended power outages

Rural areas often experience longer outages than cities.

Consider; Torches and headlamps for every household member.

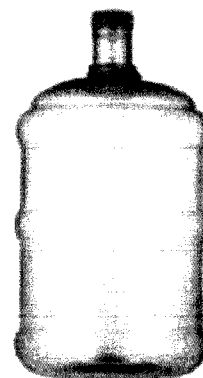
Multiple power banks.

Battery-powered radio.

Alternative cooking methods (used safely and according to manufacturer instructions).

Backup water arrangements if you rely on electric pumps.

A plan for refrigerated medications or livestock-related needs.



Water preparedness

Many rural households depend on tanks, bores, or pumps

Ask yourself: Can you access water if power is out?

Do you have drinking water stored separately?

Could you purify available water if necessary?

A practical target is at least:

3 litres of drinking water per person per day

Additional water for cooking, hygiene, pets, and livestock.

Communications

Cell coverage can become unreliable during emergencies.

Useful options Battery-powered or hand-crank radio.

Written contact list.

Agreed check-in plans with family and neighbours.

Knowledge of nearby community gathering points.

Livestock and pets

Rural emergency planning often overlooks animals.

Have: Several days of feed available.

Backup water plans.

Transport arrangements if evacuation becomes necessary.

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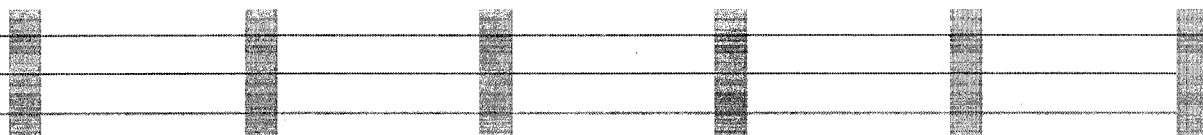
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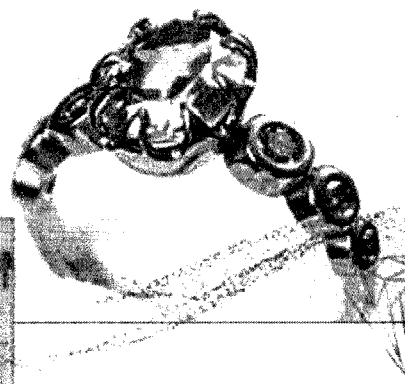
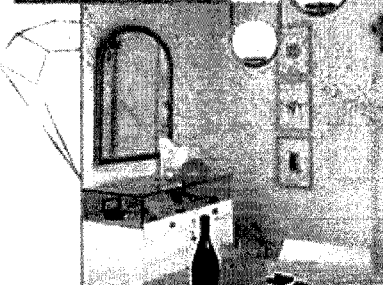
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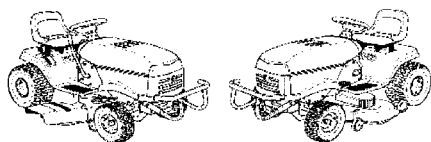
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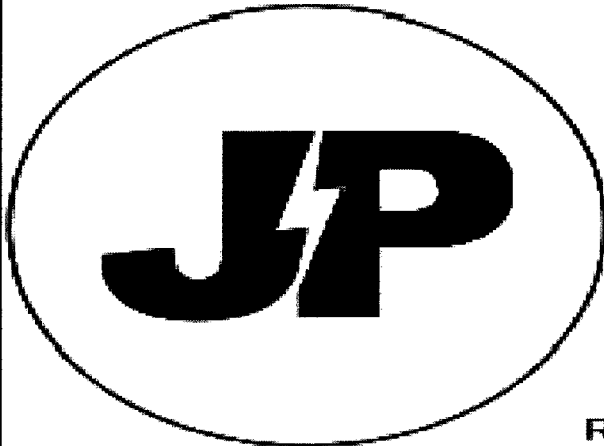
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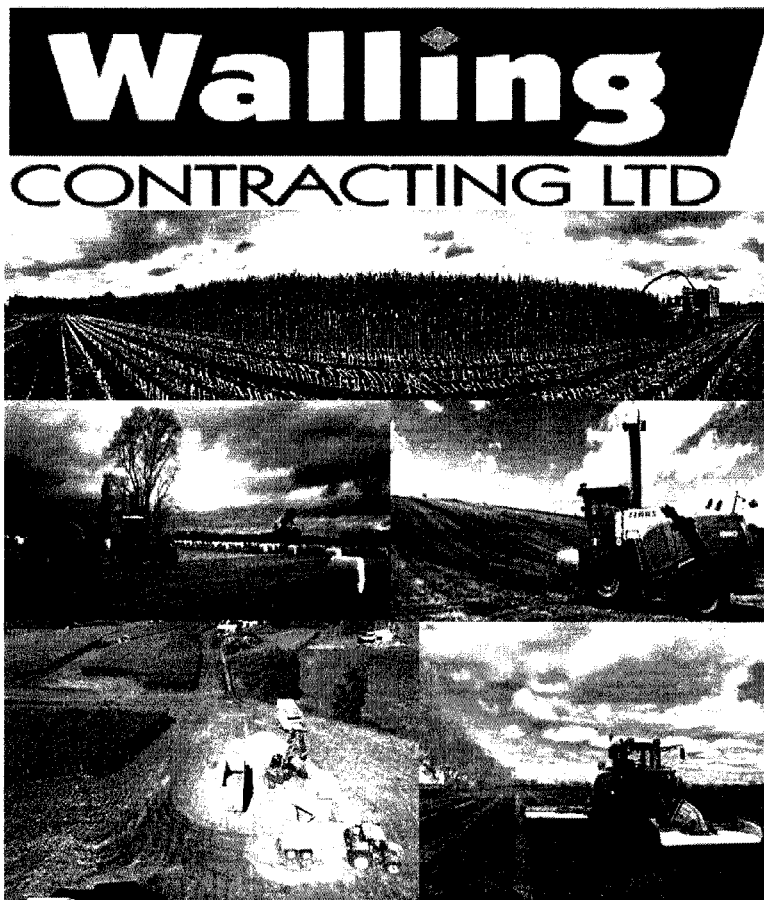
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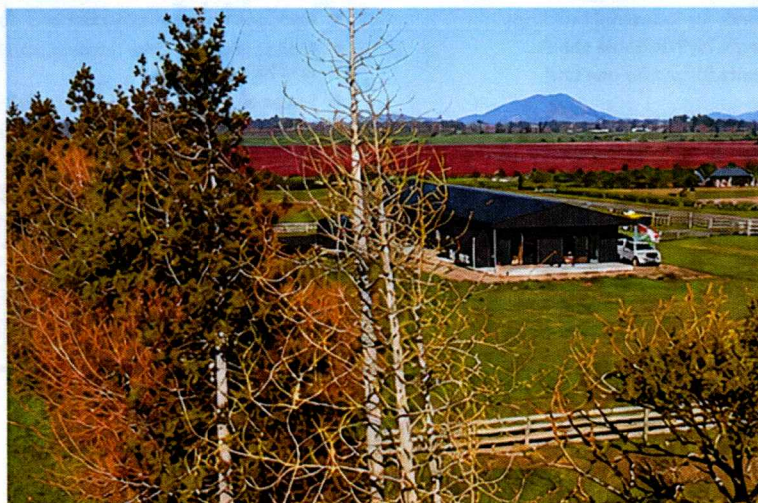
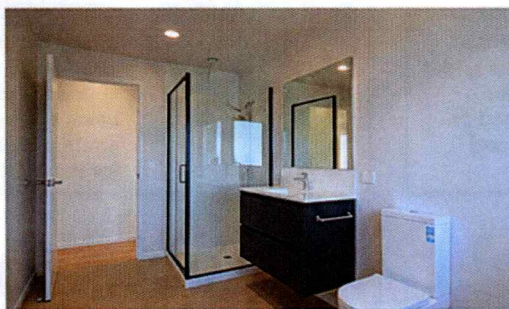
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THE PROBLEM

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- Simple non-habitable sheds, garages and workshops can still get caught in a full consent process once they go over current exempt limits.
- That adds unnecessary cost, delay and bureaucracy for low-risk buildings.
- The rules should better reflect the actual risk.

WHAT WE ARE ASKING FOR



1. LOW-RISK SHEDS, GARAGES & WORKSHOPS UP TO 70m²

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WHAT WE ARE NOT ASKING FOR

- We support proper consents for industrial buildings.
- We support proper consents for habitable sheds.
- We support proper consents for public-use and complex buildings.
- We are not asking to weaken safety standards.
- Consent-free does not mean rule-free.



WHY IT MATTERS

- Reduces unnecessary cost and delay
- Makes life easier for farmers, rural businesses and homeowners
- Lets councils focus on higher-risk building work
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