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It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas

We have been watching the pohutukawas for the past few weeks and they are showing the promise of Christmas daily as they burst into bloom. The Christmas trees are going up and the festive lights are appearing. The traffic is getting busier and the streets are starting to fill with families as they gear up for the summer holidays. And, spare a thought, retailers are starting to get the season-frazzle on! It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas . . .

Tairua and Hikuai Schools will finish their school years this week. The excitement for Christmas will ramp up a notch for these tired and ready-for-aholiday students and teachers! Tairua Beach will be patrolled daily from Wednesday, and our rubbish schedules are

set to change - download the new timetable from the TCDC website.

If you'd like to lend a hand at this year's Christmas Lunch hosted by Tairua Elim Church, a meeting is being held this Thursday 19 December at 10.30am at The Pepe Grand

Many of us in the service and retail industries are already busy with turn around times increasing hourly. If you've not stocked up on Christmas Day supplies, or ordered the necessary items, now would be the time to finalise those. Not only is pre-Christmas online ordering coming to a close, but courier delivery times are increasing.

In this final lead-up to the Big Day, let's smile, breathe, and keep calm and carry on!

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WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP AT THE CHRISTMAS LUNCH

(hosted by Tairua Elim Chruch) THIS YEAR?

Please come along to a meeting on Dec 19th at 10:30am at Pepe Grand.

All Welcome

Short & Sweet

his Saturday 21 December, "Santa's Picnic on the Pepe" takes place. Join the organisers for live music, featuring Crowded Trousers, Adele Eddy, Jono Peet and Santa. Entry is free. Donation buckets will be circulating for Tairua Food Bank so make sure you take plenty of cash! Take along your picnic rugs or chairs, beverages and food, and enjoy a relaxed Christmas celebration.

free Christmas Lunch, organised by Tairua Elim Church, is being served on Christmas Day at Tairua Hall from 12.30pm. Would you like to attend? You are welcome! Along with any of your neighbours or whanau, go and enjoy traditional Christmas fare: a two course meal with all the trimmings. If you have dietary requirements, let the Team know by giving Marlene a call on 07 864 8762. Transport is available if you need it. Contact Marlene and she will co-ordinate this for you.

🕇 auanui Market is on this Sunday 22 December, and also the following Sunday, the 29th of December. This Sunday's market will feature the Big Guy in the Red Suit himself, with sweet treats for the young and young-at-heart. You'll find Santa, and "loads of fabulous stalls, including the market cafe and coffee cart" at the rec hall in Pauanui. from 9am to 12.30pm.

n the mood for singing some good ole Christmas Carols? St Francis Church is having a Carols evening this Friday 20 December from 7pm to 8pm in the church on Main Road. Coupled with some readings and poetry, this will be an enjoyable reminder of the "reason for the season". For more information, phone Auriol on 021 055 0524.

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HEALTH



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St Francis Church WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

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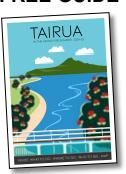
PAUANUI MARKET **THIS SUNDAY 22ND DEC** 9am -12.30pm

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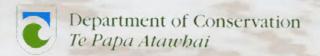
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Wishing Everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

This is a special time for our native wildlife, particularly our endangered and at-risk native shorebirds that are breeding over this period.

With that in mind, we would like to ask if you have a cat, to please keep it inside at night as this is when birds and their chicks are particularly vulnerable to predation. We really appreciate your support for our conservation efforts and helping our native birds





ir Coromain Meri Kirihimete ~AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS

News from Thames-Coromandel District Council

18 December 2024

Meri Kirihimete

~ NGĀ MIHI O TE TAU HOU ~

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all the elected members and staff at Thames-Coromandel District Council.

2024 was a tough year for the entire Thames-Coromandel community as we worked to achieve a new normal after the challenges of the last few years. We'd like to acknowledge the hard work that so many in the Coromandel put in this year to our ongoing storm recovery and making our

Take care over the holidays, and here's to continued progress and partnership in the year ahead.

district thrive. We know it hasn't been easy.



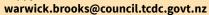
From all of us at TCDC



Community UPDATE

A word from our Board Chair, Warwick Brooks -

"As we wrap up our **Community Board meetings** for the year, we're excited for the upcoming holiday season. With a busy summer forecast for the Coromandel, it's shaping up to be a great time for businesses in our ward. From all of us on the Board, we wish you a joyful holiday season and a safe and happy New Year."



News in brief

Tairua-Pāuanui Parks and Reserves Renewal: The set of steps at Mount Paku have now been repaired.

Pāuanui Wastewater Treatment Plant Odour Control: Works at the wastewater treatment plant will be completed in December.

The Board's next meeting is on Monday 3 February 2025 at 10am. tcdc.govt.nz/meetings

BEING WATER SMART

OVER SUMMER

Summer brings a big influx of visitors to the Coromandel. putting



extra pressure on our water supply systems. To ensure there's enough water for everyone, please conserve water wherever possible.

Water restrictions are reviewed daily and may change depending on demand. Updates are posted on our website, Facebook, and portable message boards at key locations in areas most affected by restrictions. Please check these regularly and follow the guidance provided.

By using water wisely and following water restriction rules, we can all help manage the increased summer demand.

tcdc.govt.nz/waterrestrictions



CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR

Some rules, regulations and schedules may change.



Kerbside collections

Additional collections

take place over the summer peak period for most of the district. Check when our summer collections begin for Tairua and Pāuanui by visiting tcdc.govt.nz/bindays

Our Refuse and Recycling Transfer Stations are closed on Christmas and New Year's days, and open daily from 8.30am-5.30pm until 5 April.

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Summer dog rules

Some rules have changed. If in doubt, remember dogs must be on a lead unless

specified otherwise.

tcdc.govt.nz/summerinfo



Service centres

Our offices (and AA services) are closed from noon on Tuesday 24 December,

resuming normal hours on Friday 3 January 2025. Our offices will also close on Anniversary Day Monday 27 January. You can contact us 24/7 at 07 868 0200, customer.services@tcdc.govt.nz



Alcohol bans

Alcohol bans are in force from 4pm on Monday 23 December until 4pm on Monday 6

January, and over Anniversary weekend from 4pm Friday to 4pm Monday 27 January. tcdc.govt.nz/alcoholcontrol



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Boating safety this summer

Waikato Regional Council (WRC) maritime officers will be patrolling our coastal and inland waters again this summer as part of Operation Neptune.

Boat users are responsible for being familiar with Waikato region boating rules before they head to the water. Boating rules can be found on Waikato Regional Council's website, the MarineMate mobile phone app, and are prominently displayed on signage at boat ramps around the Waikato.

For example, people on vessels six metres or less need to wear their PFDs while the vessel is underway. Larger vessels are required to have a PFD for each person on board, but they're only required to be worn under certain circumstances such as bar crossings or times of heightened risk. This is a different rule to some other regions. WRC maritime officers on patrol may issue breach

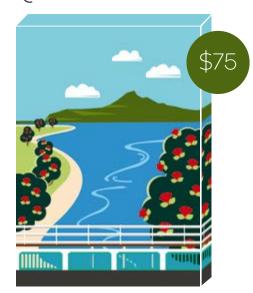
notices that can result in fines of up to \$200 per offence.

Last summer, Operation Neptune staff had over 1000 interactions with the public with 393 bylaw breaches identified, with 94 formal warnings issued and 299 infringements.

The annual Operation Neptune programme will run over the summer boating peak between Boxing Day and 12 January 2025, covering popular coastal, lake and river boating areas across the Waikato region. During Operation Neptune, the maritime team will be boosted by extra staff and summer students. Staff will be deployed on nine WRCbranded vessels, ranging from jetskis to the 6.7m Tūtaia which joined the fleet in October, and on selected boat ramps.

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