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A round up from Tairua Fire Brigade, coming events



Tairua Volunteer Fire Brigade is looking forward to their annual Firefighters' Easter Market, on Saturday 19 April from 9am - 1pm at Tairua Fire Station. And so am I! The Market will feature their famous mussel fritters and sausage sizzle! For those who can see past their tummies, there will be raffles with some wonderful local prizes and vouchers, and an array of stalls including several new ones. All proceeds from the Market will be going to much-needed equipment upgrades. Make sure you go along to support this Market. Go early if you are a mussel fritter fan! As most of you will be aware,

all of our emergency services have had a busy summer season. The Fire Brigade responded to 21 call outs. To help spread the load and build resilience, the Brigade is looking for more recruits. Anyone interested is welcome to attend a training session at the Station on a Tuesday night from 7pm to see what they do. This year a group of four Brigade Volunteers is taking part in the Firefighters Skytower Challenge. The Skytower Challenge requires the participants to climb Auckland's 328m Skytower in full kit to raise money for Leukaemia & Blood Cancer New Zealand. This year Josh

Calder, Sharni Champion, Sarah Jarrett, and Rory Tope will be representing Tairua. If you would like to support their effort and donate to the cause, go to <https://firefighterschallenge.org.nz/t/2025-tairua-volunteer-fire-brigade>, or scan the QR code on the left. And as we head towards winter, it's time to carry out some home safety checks. First, check that your smoke alarms are working and replace the batteries with new ones to get you through the season! If you have a fireplace, the Brigade suggests you have a chimney sweep inspect your chimney at least once a year. They can identify and address any potential issues with the fireplace and flue. To keep your fireplace in good condition and ensure it is burning as efficiently as it should, use



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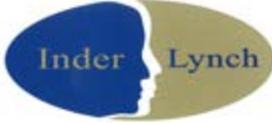
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Local school-boy cricketer Andy Rogers is heading off to join the tour to Sri Lanka shortly. The last fundraising effort towards his trip takes place this Friday, April 11, at the Community Hall, a tribute show to Michael Hutchence and INXS. Starting at 7.30pm with doors open at 6pm, your ticket gets you nibbles provided by Manaia Kitchen & Bar. A full cash bar (with EftPos) will be available. Tickets are \$50, available from Manaia Kitchen & Bar or Eventfinda. It promises to be a great night out and a great support for a talented young man with his sights firmly set on an international cricketing career!

This Saturday 12 April, from 11am, SaltWood will be giving us a taster of their music, as well promoting their upcoming concert. Look out for them outside Four Square. The concert proper is on Friday 18 April at Tairua Golf Club. A share of the proceeds from the show will go to the Heritage Society building fund. Tickets for the Concert, \$25 each, will be on sale while they play and also at Tairua Heritage Centre and Tairua Information Centre.

Poppy Day, RSA's main fundraising activity is this Friday 11 April, a week earlier because of Good Friday. This is a nation-wide appeal and, in Tairua, there will be a stall outside Four Square from 8.30am until 5 pm. Pauanui will also have a Poppy Stall in the Village from the 11th through to Easter. The RSA was established to care for NZ veterans, who returned from Gallipoli, and their families. Today, your generosity continues to honour and care for those who have served in any campaign, and their whanau.

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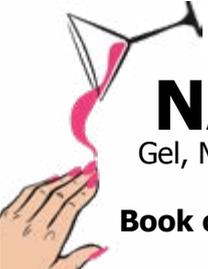
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Enquires have been ongoing in relation to an Arson at the Pepe Ridge Development where retaining wall poles were set alight. A home-made explosive was also found at the site believed to be connected to the same incident. We are following lines of enquiry but would also encourage those with information to call Crime Stoppers 0800 555 111 and quote Police File 250318/0722.

The Speed Shop in Tairua township was subject to an overnight burglary where a car jack was stolen. Thankfully with great quality cameras and community networking, through social media, a suspect has been nominated. The tip off has been given to Coromandel Police for follow up, the vehicle involved is also sought in relation to other offending from around the Peninsula.

Pauanui had a great day hosting the Beach Hop event and out of town Police reported no problems and a fantastic atmosphere for car enthusiasts.

We would like to acknowledge local Tairua resident Shayne Johnson who

played his 200th game for Tairua on the weekend - a massive achievement for you, the Club and your community, well done. The Club has also done a great job at creating an outdoor area where you can consume alcohol purchased from the bar while watching the local rugby games. A reminder that beyond the deck area is a 24/7 liquor ban which encompasses the entire field, and you could be subject to a \$200 fine if caught breaching the liquor ban. We are working with the Club on this compliance to prevent sideline disorder and enhance the overall family friendly culture.

The days are getting shorter, and the nights are getting colder. With Easter around the corner, we have our last influx of holiday makers before winter sets in. These changes in weather affect road surfaces and crashes tend to be more prevalent so please take care on the roads and drive to the conditions.

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In addition to the twilight bowls, casual Friday night bowls were on offer over the Christmas break and proved to be a hit with locals and visitors alike. Spokesperson Jessie Macaw said of this new activity, "It was a wonderful opportunity for everyone to engage with the game and enjoy the social aspects of bowling in our welcoming community."

With the approach of winter, the Club has been reflecting on the passing bowling year. There has been a focus on player development this season and coaches from Bowls NZ

have provided specialised high-performance training sessions for some players. The result: four players recently represented Thames Valley, with Jessie Macaw participating in the National Intercentre and Steve Morris, Sandra Morris and Mary-Anne Thompson competing in the 1-5 octagonal event in Auckland.

Despite the end of the summer playing season, the Club will continue to be a community social hub. Their popular Friday night meals, previously provided by The Old Mill, are now catered by Tati Frutti. Friday nights are open to all and members and guests.

Going forward into a new bowling season come September, the Club and its members are looking forward to more events, more competitions, and more opportunities for members and the community to come together to enjoy the game. For more information, visit: www.tairuabowlingclub.co.nz.

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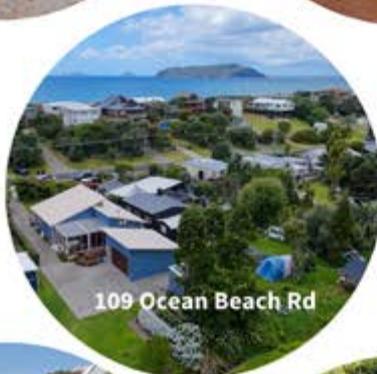
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