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Intro

I would like to start by congratulating the members of the Kumeu Women's Institute who recently celebrated their 83rd Birthday since the first meeting in 1931. What a fabulous milestone to achieve and a great way to make lifelong friends. The Kumeu-Huapai Lions Club recently donated a Saver One Automated External Defibrillator (AED) which is available for community use at the local hall on Access Road in Kumeu. However, few people know how to use them so in a collaborative effort to raise public awareness around AEDs, Kumeu-Huapai Lions Club and Heart Saver NZ Limited are to hold a free training session for locals interested in learning more about AEDs; how to use them and where to find them. To register your interest and to get more information, please call 0800 2 DEFIB (33342) or email info@heartsaver.co.nz. A Justice of the Peace (JP) service is now available every Saturday morning at the Library in Huapai between 10am and 12pm. JP's are happy to help and there is no charge for their services and no appointment is necessary. Whilst JP's are not legal advisors, there are some legal processes that a JP can assist with and save people the need to go to see a lawyer.

As always, keep safe and look after your loved ones (and your stock) in this typical winter weather.

Sarah, Editor.



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GOLDIE BUSH WALK

Goldie Bush Scenic Reserve offers a variety of walks through coastal kauri forest, taking in the impressive Mokoroa Falls. Goldie Bush walkway can be walked from either Constable Rd, Muriwai, or Horsman Rd, Waitakere Township. From Constable Rd the walkway descends through the Motutara Scenic Reserve to cross Mokoroa Stream. The track then enters the Goldie Bush Scenic Reserve, climbing through coastal forest with regenerating kauri, exiting at Horseman Rd. Time: 2 hrs one way

Distance: 4.5 km one way

Mokoroa Stream track: The Mokoroa Stream track can be accessed from Constable Rd, at the northern end of the Goldie Bush walkway. The Mokoroa Stream track leaves the Goldie Bush walkway at a junction just before the swingbridge that crosses the Mokoroa Stream. The track follows the Mokoroa Stream, crossing it a number of times, before exiting on the true left of the stream, just before reaching the Mokoroa Falls. The Mokoroa Stream track links the Goldie Bush walkway and Mokoroa Falls track. The track climbs steeply to reach a lookout which marks the start of the Mokoroa Falls track. The lookout gives good views of the falls. Time: 2 - 3 hrs one way

Distance: 3 km one way

UNITARY PLAN UPDATE

The huge push to make submissions to the Unitary Plan for the first round is over. Now all 14,000 submissions are out for public scrutiny, with cross submissions closing on the 22nd July 2014. The Council have not placed a schedule of submissions in the public newspaper (as yet) but have advised that they are in the local library for inspection.

With the number of submitters having more than one element, it makes the submission numbers even greater. The initial inspection shows that many submitters are requesting far more dense residential development than that proposed by the Council. The concern is that the cross-submission process requires that individuals or groups who disagree with the original submission, have to cross submit to have a say in the process. The number of the submitters makes it very difficult to cover all situations. The best advice is to look for the major players, developers, Eco groups and the Council to see what is requested. They will be well represented at the hearing. The library has copies but they are time consuming to go through.

When the cross-submissions close, the planning staff at Council group similar issues together, to prepare their report and recommendations for the Commissioners. The formal hearing will take place towards the end of 2014 through into 2015. When the cross-submissions close, the only opportunity then is to express a viewpoint in front of the Commissioners. It will be difficult for the Commissioners to make any massive changes which will substantially alter the main trust of the Unitary Plan. One of the problems that has emerged is that section size of dwelling in the single dwelling unit rule, is being transferred by landowners in the inner suburbs. They want the section sizes to be around 350 sqm, whereas out in our area we still believe in 500-600 sqm section sizes to provide living space for dwelling and recreation for families.

The danger we face in the 'one rule for all' approach of the Unitary Plan is that central Auckland could force higher densities on us than we would like. The lack of tying in the Unitary Plan proposed growth to a logical infrastructure plan is obvious. Having Auckland Transport and NZTA as independent authorities doing their own transport pattern at their pace, doesn't help the Unitary Plan process. Unless the transport issues are addressed soon, the hearings in front of the Commissioners will highlight the deficiencies. Time will tell. Pete Sinton - Chairman KHRBA

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AED AWARENESS IN KUMEU



The Kumeu-Huapai Lions Club recently donated a Saver One Automated External Defibrillator (AED) which is available for community use at the local hall on Access Road in Kumeu. AEDs are safe and easy to use portable devices which are crucial in emergency situations, such as a sudden cardiac arrest which kills approximately 12 New Zealanders every day. AEDs are becoming more common in New Zealand; however few people know how to use them. In conclusion to a study conducted by the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI), it was found that the most common fear associated with using an AED was fear of using the machine incorrectly and that further public education may be necessary. In a collaborative effort to raise public awareness around AEDs, Kumeu-Huapai Lions Club and Heart Saver NZ Limited are to hold a free training session for locals interested in learning more about AEDs; how to use them and where to find them. Tuesday 15th of July at Kumeu Community Centre, Access Road, Kumeu from 5pm. To register your interest and to get more information, please call us on 0800 2 DEFIB (33342) or email info@heartsaver.co.nz YOU too can learn how to SAVE A LIFE with this safe and easy-to-use lifesaving technology. Heart Saver NZ Ltd Managing Director, Mike Mander (far right), stands with keen Kumeu residents learning about their newly installed community AED. L-R: Raewyn Nicholls (The Vintage Shop), Brian Keys (Huapai-Kumeu Lions), Francis Ross (In-



door Bowls), Rona Attwood (CWI), Gary Moss (Huapai-Kumeu Lions), Pauline Farley (Secretary, Kumeu Community Centre), Jenny Jordan (Indoor Netball)

FAIR TRADING ACT UPDATE

Most will have heard of the Fair Trading Act 1986 ("FTA"), particularly those of us involved in business. In fact, many will be well aware of the commonly quoted section 9 that prohibits misleading and deceptive conduct in trade. In a nutshell, the FTA is applicable to anyone who is acting in "trade" such as businesses. In fact, the term "trade" is defined very broadly under the FTA, and includes any trade, business, industry or profession.

The reason for raising the FTA in this month's article is because, as part of a significant overhaul of Consumer Law, the Government has introduced important amendments to the FTA – those amendments are either now in force or will soon be.

For example, as from 17 June 2014, it will be an offence to make representations about your goods or services without having reasonable grounds for those representations. In addition, for some breaches, maximum penalties will increase from \$60,000 to \$200,000 (for individuals), and \$200,000 to \$600,000 (for bodie corporate). Furthermore, as from 17 March 2015, it will be an offence to include any "unfair term" in a standard form consumer contract (being that type of contract that perhaps we all too often sign without reading such as, rental car agreements; gym membership agreements; and equipment hiring agreements). Broadly, an "unfair term" is a term that is disadvantageous to only one party (usually the consumer) and will not be reasonably necessary to protect the interests of the other party (usually the business). For example, a term that enables one party to cancel the contract but not the other, or a term that enables one party to unilaterally vary the terms of the contract.

For those who have standard terms of trade with their customers, it will therefore be essential to review those terms so as to avoid running foul of this amendment when it takes effect.

There are of course many other amendments to the FTA (as well as other consumer legislation, including the Consumer Guarantees Act 1993). Those engaged in business should therefore be

familiarising themselves with these amendments to ensure compliance. For more information on this article, contact Chad at Danswan Law Limited on 09 412 7348 or visit us at www.danswan.co.nz.





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In an emergency dial 111. For more information contact Melissa Haven, Ph 09 412 7756.



Last week's storm is a timely reminder to make sure you can look after your family for up to 72 hours as emergency services may take time to get to you.

You need to be prepared to live without the usual services of power, sewage, water and telecommunications.

In most emergencies you should be able to remain in your home however there may be some situations that require you to evacuate with urgency.

You need to be sure that your survival supplies are reliable and adequate in times of an emergency as roads and shops may be unavailable. Civil Defence recommends that any survival kit should have enough supplies for 3 days or 72 hours. Below is a list of the minimum you require:

- Survival food rations
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Address COATESVILLE Lifestyle	Max	Median	Minimum I	Most Recent Sale
	\$ 1,855,000	\$ 1,490,000	\$ 515,000	\$ 1,605,000
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MURIWAI Residential	\$ 800,500	\$ 680,000	\$ 360,000	\$ 679,000
RIVERHEAD Residential	\$ 708,000	\$ 691,500	\$ 595,000	\$ 595,000
TAUPAKI Lifestyle	\$ 1,155,000	\$ 1,080,000	\$ 740,000	\$ 740,000
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WESTHARBOUR Residential	\$ 1,170,000	\$ 653,000	\$ 488,000	\$ 615,000
WHENUAPAI Residential	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 670,000	\$ 630,000	\$ 650,000

Disclaimer: These sales figures have been provided by a third party and although all care is taken to ensure the information is accurate some figures could have been mis-interpreted on compilation. Furthermore these figures are recent sales over the past 30 days from all agents in the area.

MONEY MATTERS

Interest rates continued on their merry way upwards with the latest round of increases from the Reserve Bank, which was quickly reacted to by the lenders. The days of sub-6% interest rates are numbered so if your loan is currently on floating, it's a good idea to act now. We are also seeing borrowers who are due to come off a fixed rate at the end of the year breaking their loans early in order to re-fix now at still favourable rates.

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Nor-West (Auck) SeniorNet invites all members, non-members and couch potatoes to come along to St Chad's church hall at 10am on Monday, 7th July to meet Cassie and Rob, the owners of Kumeu Gym & Indoor Sports Centre. Both have Diplomas in Fitness Training and combined have over 20 years' experience and knowledge in the Fitness Industry and a passion for health and fitness. Rob has a background in weightlifting and Rugby League and has been coaching athletes of all fitness levels for more than 20 years while Cassie has always been a keen sports person in particular competitive Netball and Cycling (for which her team held the Auckland and National Time Trial titles).

Cassie teaches a Function for Fitness Class for the over 60's, designed for the slightly older person and the aim of the class is to adapt or develop exercises which allow individuals to perform the activities of daily life more easily and without injuries.

The talk will be based on the over 60's classes and health and exercise for older people. So come along and learn why you don't need lycra to be lithe or spandex to be supple. \$3 towards hall hire and morning tea, a chance to win an excellent raffle and spend an interesting two hours. See you there, support your local SeniorNet.

KUMEU GYM & INDOOR SPORTS Centre — New Personal Trainer

I'm Cameron Smith. I am a 23 year old graduate from AUT and I am the new Personal Trainer at Kumeu Gym & Indoor Sports. I have a huge passion for helping others succeed in living a healthier and balanced lifestyle and this is why I have teamed up with Kumeu Gym. I have qualifications in Bachelor of Sport and Recreation Majoring in Exercise Science. I have been working as a Strength and Conditioning coach on the North Shore predominately working with Rehabilitation clients, High Performance Athlete Training and Nutrition. I have also helped create a successful online weight loss company using the latest techniques in nutrition and exercise science. My main priority is to help you achieve your fitness goals and maximise the functionality of your body so you can live your life to the absolute fullest. I will be instructing the Boot Camp and Cross Fit classes at Kumeu Gym so come along and try a class.



LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP Activity

Some updates for your diary.

29 June is our firewood sale. 10am-12 \$25/trailer (BYO trailer) Pines felled in stage 2 of the Village Green Restoration Project have been cut into discs and are being sold off. 29 June Parihoa planting day 10am -12 Joint Rivercare/Forest and Bird planting day to help the new owner get wetland planted. Lunch will be provided. Event on private property please contact Gerry Henley: gerry@muriwai-environment.org Matariki has always been important for Maori. It is now being marked as a midwinter festival, with Auckland-wide live music performances, Kapa Haka, theatre, poetry, family events, dance and art. Celebrations start around the first new moon after the Matariki constellation (Pleiades) appears in the sky, 27 June. Matariki connects the seasons. The world moves into winter, which is a time of rest and recovery. At the same time this was traditionally a time to prepare ground for cultivation and give thanks to Rongo (god of cultivated food). matarikifestival.org.nz (what's on in Auckland) http://www.yates.co.nz/garden-calendar/june/winter-gardening/ (seasonal planting) koanga.org.nz (local seed saving and gardening).

THE TASTING SHED

The Tasting Shed will be closed for our annual winter shutdown from the 30th ofJune, and reopening Wednesday the 30th of July. The team would like to thank our wonderful supporters for another great year of bringing you award-winning food and service. We were thrilled to be named in Cuisine Magazine's 2014 Food Guide as one of the top restaurants in New Zealand at their recent awards night, so to take a break after receiving such a huge honour means we're determined to come

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UPDATE FROM RIVERHEAD

The Riverhead Residents and Ratepayers Association (RRRA) represent the people of Riverhead and surrounds. Our commitment is to the advancement and improvement of Riverhead as a whole, and we aim to look out for one another and to focus on topics that affect us all as a community. Recent achievements include submissions to Auckland's Unitary Plan process and on numerous transport-related issues. We're also in the early stages of contemplating a full Vision Plan for Riverhead's future, tackling issues such as paper roads, river access, heritage preservation and community gardens, and we want to hear from as many members of our community as possible. Our meetings are held at the Riverhead Hall on the second Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm. We have our own Facebook page, and also post regularly on the Riverhead Community Page. Contact Secretary Kylie Thomson email Thomson.Family@xtra.co.nz or Phone 09 412 9858 for more information.

INCREASE IN OCR MAY NOT BE ALL BAD

The announcement by the Reserve Bank to increase the base rate by 25 basis points to the Official Cash Rate is not all bad. So what will this mean to the average home owner in New Zealand? "The rate increase, if passed on to borrowers, would mean \$500 per annum on a \$200,000 home loan or \$1,000 on a \$400,000 home loan. Respectively this would be about \$10 and \$20 a week. While the OCR increases, it is likely that the competition between banks may mean that some banks choose to absorb this small incremental increase. In recent times banks have been fiercely competing for home loans and offering around \$2,000 towards costs for new borrowers, so I see this small increase likely to be absorbed within their marketing costs. My personal opinion is that 'would be home buyers' should not be deterred by this increase and to continue towards their goal of home ownership. Current fixed and floating rates for home loans are (by comparison to

rates over the past twenty years) still very low." Last October Banks had their upper thresholds for lending limited from 90-95% down to a maximum of 80%. This measure was introduced to try and slow down the housing market. It appears to have been effective and

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KUMEU WOMEN'S INSTITUTE NEWS

Members of the Kumeu Women's Institute (WI) recently celebrated their 83rd Birthday, with lunch at the Golden Silk Thai Restaurant in Kumeu. The inaugural meeting of the group was held on May 4th 1931, in the old Kumeu Hall, and within two months there were 80 members. Since that time, the Kumeu WI has continued to meet on the first Wednesday of the month, although now it uses the small hall at the Community Centre in Access Rd. Meeting at 11am, members enjoy a shared lunch, followed by an interesting Speaker. Monthly competitions among members include Handcraft, Cookery, Floral Art and Photography. New members are especially welcome. For further information phone Joan 09 411 8964 or Doreen 09 416 9522.

WHAT'S IN YOUR DRINKING WATER?

Have you ever thought about what lurks in your drinking water? What rodents or birds do you have on your roof? Where do they go for a drink, a piddle or a poo? And worse! If you poison them, where do they end up? Sediments, rust, cysts, debris and animal excrement can all end up in your drinking water. Whether you're on tank supply or town supply-we can help you out. KPL is Davey's Best Performed Master Dealer for 2012 and 2013. Come and see our knowledgeable team for advice on Water Filtration for you and your family or of course business, so you can feel carefree about the drinking water in your home and work place. If you have a Swimming Pool or Spa, drop in a 1L container of your Pool/Spa water and we will test if for FREE. Don't let your pool go green this winter. Winter Wise your pool with 2 Easy Steps. Come and see our team and we'll get you sorted. Phone KPL on 09 412 9108

WELCOME IN WINTER

It's time to wave goodbye to sunkissed days at the beach and balmy nights to welcome in Winter! But not to worry - there are so many gorgeous trends in hair that we have seen emerging for the cooler months ahead. Strong, Blunt Fringes: Fringes are having a moment, and this season we're seeing a trend towards the straight, blunt fringe. Cut straight across or taper slightly at the sides to soften the look. Short and Medium Blunt Bobs: If you've been contemplating a bob, now is definitely the time to take the plunge! Bobs are only getting bigger, and this season it's all about the blunt cut. It's powerful, polished and has that hint of edginess that we love. Modern Sixties: We have been seeing a sixties revival on the runways for the past year, but this season it's taking a more modern, subtle turn. Think hints of volume at the crown with smooth centre parts, toned down bouffants and headbands paired with graphic eyeliner and nude lips. Perfectly



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Undone Hair: Although it may look like it, unfortunately most of us don't just wake up with that tousled, undone hair that is cropping up everywhere on the catwalks. This look is all about the relaxed, tousled texture that is easy to create with the right products and tools - a bottle of Wella Create Texture is a must have for this style. Make way for a cooler toned brunette! This is one of our favourite colours of the season. Rose gold is such a beautiful colour trend for Autumn/Winter. Make this colour your own by going as light or dark as you wish. Take your blonde to the next level and embrace this silver toned, almost white blonde for Winter. A copper toned pony against rich brunette locks is a beautifully subtle way to wear the dip dye ponytail trend. Cool Brunette: Sunkissed summer brunette makes way for a cool, glossy brown. One of our favourite colours of the year! Shades of Rose Gold: From light, strawberry blonde to deep auburn, shades of rose gold red are taking over. We love this trend, as there are so many shade variations that can be tailored to flatter different complexions. Chat to one of our colourists to find the best shade of red for you! White Blonde: For those ladies looking for something with a bit more edge, a lighter silver toned blonde is stunning. Great new ideas for the cooler months ahead....phone or txt Carla at Zash Hair 021 814 663

'ANCHOR ME' EXHIBITION 30TH June — 12th July

Anchor Me is the upcoming exhibition by local multi-disciplinary artist Julie Moselen. This recent body of work explores Julie's sense of belonging to her home in Cornwall, England and her acquired home in West Auckland. Using a range of mediums including painting, printmaking and jewellery, Julie analyses the experiences of living as an immigrant within a new culture, the loss and displacement of her own culture and the connections she has made between the two. The opening for this exhibition is Sunday 29th June 3 – 6pm where Julie will be serving English Mulled Wine. All welcome. Ceramic Exhibition 14th - 26 July. An exhibition of combined ceramic artists work, a must see, to appreciate the great talent we have in our area.

The opening for this exhibition is Monday the 14th July from 6 – 8pm. All welcome. To see more on classes and workshops (including FREE youth workshops) please see our website www. kumeuartscentre.co.nz or ph 09 412 9480

THE RIVERHEADS NEW WINTER MENU

Our new Winter Menu is up and running in The Landing Restaurant. Pop on down and try out some of the new additions to the menu together with some of your old favourites..... we have the best burger in town, superb freshly caught & sourced fish with its subtle Asian flavours, and of course our famous calamari entrée.....and on the dessert line up something for every taste, rich chocolate, fruity crumble, a warm sticky toffee pudding..... And the lemon posset is back new and improved for all of you who have been asking!

Curry night on Monday Nights is a winner with scrumptious and unique curries every week created by one of our multicultural chefs for \$25 per person. Tuesday is a popular night with our 'All you can eat Rib's' for \$28 per person. Bookings are recommended for both nights so make it one of your rituals and pop on down!

Just remember that The Boat House is getting a brand new purpose built cool and funky addition and will reopen in November.

Now is the time to book your Christmas Function (while there's some good dates left) and keep it in mind for your meeting schedule for next year.

The Music in the Boat House on Sunday afternoons will resume in November with a wider range of music genres to entertain us.

What ever your into, you'll find a cold glass and a freindly smile at The Riverhead phone 09 412 8902



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That means of course that it is nearer Christmas 2014 than Christmas 2013! Time to think about your requirements for the festive season and the coming year. Time to order your 2014 diaries-personalised or otherwise. Time to order the desk pads promoting your products. Time to order your company xmas cards. Time to discuss promotional products that keeps your name up front. Time to think and act on thanking your clients for their support. Time is fast approaching when action needs to be taken. Do the smart thing now and contact Ryan at Treehouse Print. He does have the time. Email: ryan@treehouseprint.co.nz Ph 0274 986202 or check out his website http://www.treehouseprint.co.nz/contact.html.

NATURES EXPLORERS

On Wednesday morning, we decided to take a small group of children outside Nature Explorers to investigate the icy grass. The children were excited to explore through jumping, skipping and running on the icy grass. Children were able to develop their senses through experiencing the coldness of the ice coming through their shoes and by touching the grass with their hands. Many children identified that the ice was not only on the grass but on other objects such as leaves. The children enjoyed themselves and were able to have a natural learning experience. If you would like any more information about Nature's Explorers Kindergarten please call us on Ph 09 412 8800

CAR BOOT SALE

Phil Greig Strawberry Gardens will once again be hosting the Kumeu Badminton Club annual car boot sale. This is the 3rd year that this worthwhile event will be held and all proceeds go in support of our local club. Event to be held on Saturday 6 September at Phil Greig Strawberry Gardens, 464 State Highway 16, Kumeu. To book you pitch for \$15.00 please call Lianne Phone 09 412 7329



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67 Gallony Avenue, Massey Enquiries Over \$449,000 - Viewing by appointment

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MASSEY BUYERS OVER \$405,000, CLOSE TO WESTGATE

8 Loughanure Place, Massey Enquiries Over \$405,000 - Viewing by appointment

Cedar weatherboard home with high cathedral ceilings that is perfect for first home buyer or investor wanting a solid investment or family. North facing, the home sits comfortably on a 379 sqm partially fenced section with single carport and off-street parking. Valley views from the home and decking ensure your entertaining will be well received. Three generous bedrooms, large open plan lounge and separate laundry, this home feels very spacious and offers options to further develop underneath. With DIY opportunity to redecorate and invest, this is a home that will reward your creativity and your passion. Please register today for a suitable viewing time.



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WEST HARBOUR WITH DIY - CLOSE TO WESTGATE

3 Midgley Road, West Harbour Enquiries Over \$395,000 - Viewing by appointment

This 3 bedroom, 1 bathroom home with separate double lock up garage is perfection for a first home buyer or investor. Enjoy making this home your own with opportunity to renovate/ remodel or personalise. Open plan entertainers dining and lounge area. Separate bathroom/ toilet and laundry. Fully fenced section with courtyard and lawn, you know your family will be safe and secure. The property is close to the Midgley Road park and playground where children in the neighbourhood play. Located in west Harbour you will be close to Westgate and the new amenities being built in Westgate Town.



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332 Waitakere Road, Taupaki Enquiries Over \$1,095,000 - Viewing by appointment

The perfect picture for family and friends. This improved and developed 1920's villa sits proudly upon a rural aspect, around 2 hectares with post and rail fencing, farm shed, implement bay, homestead and sleep-out. Many options here with this large 4 bedroom, two bathroom, two lounge homestead with the benefit of an open plan kitchen and entertaining area with flow to wrap around decking to the north and west. Established plantings and paddocks providing easy access for a few sheep or ponies and an easy turning circle for the horse float or stock crate. Some options here for some cosmetic DIY to make it just right for your family. Don't dilly dally as this land and home package is often sort after and seldom found.



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WAIMAUKU - TWO HOMES - CLOSE TO KUMEU

855 Old North Road, Waimauku Enquiries Over \$849,000 - Viewing by appointment

A slice of rural heaven but close enough to convenience shopping, schooling and transport links. Home with the Income of a 2 bedroom minor dwelling. This home is set on just over 10 acres of land. The main home has 3 generous bedrooms, a recently renovated kitchen with gas cooking and renovated bathroom. North facing the home has excellent alfresco to wrap around decking with views of beautiful sunsets. The property has a second dwelling with 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom and separate lounge. Tenant is happy to stay on. Overlooking grazing land, for horses or dry stock with good fencing and water, make your rural dream a reality.



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HORSE LOVERS 23 GRAZING ACRES 12 MINS WAIMAUKU

77 Alf Access Road, Helensville Enquiries Over \$1,279,000 - Viewing by appointment

Easy and comfortable living, this 5 bedroom, 3 bathroom, 2 lounge home with 23 acres delivers in privacy and suitability for horses or drystock. It will create a lasting impression with it high cathedral ceilings, rural outlooks and open plan entertainers style kitchen, dining area.

I particularly like the layout of the home that has separate living and sleeping areas that would suit a mixed age family or extended family. A recent refurbishment has refreshed the home. A mature and maintained lifestyle block fenced into 13 grazing paddocks with access through a central race, it provides easy options to move stock and manage your land.



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97 Tiroroa Avenue, Te Atatu South Enquiries Over \$895,000 - Viewing by appointment

2 Homes in Te Atatu South with an opinion from TerraNova(planners), regarding subdivision potential which we are happy to forward with title for observation. Big potential here for profits and return as a long term or short term investor. Three bedroom home, open plan lounge-dining with alfresco area to the North, a private garden to the rear adds privacy while the location is excellent. Well presented kitchen and bathrooms, you can move right in. In addition a two bedroom dwelling, fully refurbished with open plan, entertainers kitchen-dining and small yard provides options abound. New Carpet, paint and finished to a very good standard. If you are searching for a home and an income or seeking profits we suggest you take an interest in this property very soon indeed.



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THE CHARACTER - VIEWS OVER WAIMAUKU TO MURIWAI

273 School Road, Waimauku Enquiries Over \$695,000 - Viewing by appointment

North west facing home with excellent alfresco living and expansive views over Waimauku and Muriwai Valleys. Split over two levels the home has three bedrooms plus a studio/sleepout, renovated bathrooms up and down and open plan entertainers kitchen leading to dining and lounge. Separate garage and workshop with the privacy of a 2762 square meter section comprised of mature natives and grass glades. A private and quiet environment the thing that will keep you coming back for more is the extensive views and how the home engages with its surroundings. An absolute treat, maybe you deserve it.

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1027 Coatesville-Riverhead Highway, Riverhead Enquiries Over \$350,000 FOR LAND ONLY - Viewing by appointment

Wanting a bigger residential site in Riverhead? This property is an elevated rear site of almost 930 square meters, offering a fully usable section with mature plantings, partial fencing and services at the roadside. This is a fantastic opportunity to build your dream home or consider the plans that have been put forward by Build 7 for a 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom, double garage home. This established site is available with a freehold title which should be available within the next 120 days. Minutes to Riverhead School, Kumeu and Westgate shopping areas. We encourage buyers considering an investment over \$750,000 to take an interest in this house and land package. This Riverhead house and land package is available for buyers over \$750,000.



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PRIVATE AND TRANQUIL OASIS - NEAR SWANSON

27 Gregory Road, Waitakere Enquiries Over \$695,000 - Viewing by appointment

This two level family home boasts fabulous open plan living with a fireplace for the winter months, a renovated kitchen with induction hobb, entertaining downstairs with two bedrooms and bathroom with underfloor heating. While upstairs enjoys bush views, two bedrooms, study and en-suite bathroom. High cathedral ceilings, solid Rimu floors and very effective use of space and light, loads of storage and cupboard space. The property has a detached garage and workshop with ample lawn and parking and 2 water tanks. This is a bush block which delivers ample birdlife and sun filled glades (no grazing for animals). A perfect home for the busy executive family wanting privacy and tranquility without the work associated with grazing animals.



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THE ROAD TO HELL IS PAVED WITH GOOD INTENTIONS

Roads, footpaths and other transport related issues would be the thing I am most contacted about. For most transport issues in Rodney the Local Board has an 'advocacy role', that's Council-speak for we can ask nicely and lobby for things but we don't hold the purse strings. SH16 is maintained by a Government Agency NZ Transport Agency or NZTA, everything else is 'Auckland Transport' a 'Council Controlled Organ-



isation' or CCO that is responsible for roads and public transport. As Council's focus has turned to the \$2.4 billion 'City Rail Link' (CRL), the inner city tunnels that will connect train lines leading into the CBD, the sheer scale of the budget required has meant that Council is looking for every saving it can make to keep rates down while pouring money into the \$2.4billion hole it needs to fill to make the CRL a reality. The difficulty for us in Rodney is that we have land area 46% of Auckland and a network of unsealed or poorly maintained roads which are struggling to keep up with the urban sprawl and growing population of Auckland which likes to travel to our area for recreational purposes. Calls from your Local Board to Councillors to put more money into our roads have fallen on deaf ears. Currently only \$1.4million is spent on Rodney roads, the Board would like to see \$10 million a year for the next 10 years dedicated to sorting out the most pressing roads and footpaths. \$10 million a year for ten years is less than half a percent the Council wants for the CRL, given that we are expected to absorb some of the impact of population growth it does not seem an unreasonable request. A group has formed to push the issue publicly and you can join this by going to: https://www.facebook.com/SealRodneyRoads Local Board Plan.

Your Local Board spends over \$28million a year in Rodney and now's the time to comment on our plans for how this money will be allocated. We have a wish list drawn up based on your feedback, but not everything will fit into the budget so we will need to prioritise. Your feedback over the next month will determine how we do this. Want more parks or sports facilities, how about Art programs for both adults and children, do you think we should do more about planning our townships and making them more attractive? If you spend 5 minutes to give us your thoughts, it could be the best thing you do for your community! Feedback on our Draft Plan starts in July, visit: www.shapeauckland.co.nz Issues, questions, projects you need help with? contact me Phelan Pirrier on: phelan.pirrie@aucklandcouncil.govt. nz or mobile Phone 021 837 167

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MUSIC TO OUR EARS



Country Bears brings more music to the children. We are excited to reintroduce a formal music programme to our children every week and now have music and ukulele lessons in all areas throughout the centre (Baby Bears, Bear Cubs and Bigger Bears). We welcome back Ali May to Country Bears Early Childhood Centre. Ali May is a singer, songwriter and music teacher, who firmly believes that being able to share the journey of music discovery, is such a privilege. Combining a long standing background in early childhood and her musical talents, she is passionate that children grow to their full potential with an understanding and love of music. This complements our existing music programme. Musical Training Shapes Developmental Processes. Did you take piano lessons? Maybe voice lessons to refine those pipes? Or, maybe you still do a bit of informal musical training during your downtime. Whatever your musical training experience may be, these experiences all engage our brain's cognitive, motor, emotional and social skills. Over time, musical training appears to impact and shape these developmental processes, according to a recent study. The findings, published in Frontiers in Psychology, revealed that musical advantages emerged in stages, with the greatest effects of musical training appearing in early in life. This finding was most evident in 2-5 year-old 'musicians' who had greater response times than 5-8 year-olds with no musical training. To test the effects of musical training on developmental processes, researchers examined 770 participants, 213 of whom were categorized as musicians with the remaining participants representing the "general population". Participants ranged in ages from 3 months up to 72 years, with the youngest musician being 3-years-old and the oldest 70-years-old. During each assessment, participants sat in a recliner and were instructed to ignore the stimuli presented in their right ear via headphones while only focusing on the stimuli presented in their left ear. Participants' brain activity was also recorded during each assessment. Researchers excluded the very young participants from these sound assessments. The results of the

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effect of musicianship on the developmental trajectory revealed differences between musicians and non-musicians. Musical training appears to interact with developmental processes, especially during pivotal developmental stages, such as early childhood. Overall, musical training's benefits were most evident in younger and older age groups, suggesting the importance of lifelong musical training. Practicing music keeps the mind active and correlates with our learning abilities. At Country Bears we have always encouraged our children to learn and understand what music is made up from, through listening to different music from around the world and taking the time to recognize the different rhythm (left brain right brain), beat (cognitive development), pitch of sounds (recognition of finer sounds) of each type of music. Children develop a passion and appreciation of different forms of music and sounds which, inturn, helps them grow their ability to listen to the finer sounds around themselves in everyday life. Something that we all just take for granted. This is just one of the amazing things that Country Bears has to offer within our everyday programme. www.countrybears.co.nz.



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Babies 3 months - 3 years old

	Day rate	2 Days min	3 Days	4 Days	5 Days FULL TIME	Includes Milk and meals
6 hrs Between 8-4	36	72	108	144	180	Morning tea Lunch Afternoon tea
6-8 hours	42	84	126	168	210	Morning tea Lunch Afternoon tea
FULL DAY 8 + hrs 7am – 6pm	50	100	150	200	250	Morning tea Lunch Afternoon tea

3 & 4 year olds

HOURS	Day rate	2 Days min	3 Days	4 Days	5 Days FULL TIME	INCLUDES 20 ECE HOURS *Special conditions apply
*4 for FREE 8.00 -12.00am or 12.30 - 4.30 Incl 20 ECE Hours	free	4 FREE	4 FREE	4 FREE	4 FREE	No Lunch provided
School Day up to 7 hrs Between 8-4	20	40	60	80	100	Morning tea Lunch Afternoon tea
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*Session times 8.00- 12.00am or 12.30-4.30pm	Day Rate	2 Days min 4HOURS	3 Days 4HOURS	4 Days 4HOURS	5 Days 4HOURS	X Work and factore
*0-2 yrs	20	\$40	\$60	\$80	\$100	No Lunch provided
*2-3 yrs	24	\$48	\$72	\$96	\$120	No Lunch provided

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SMITH AND PARTNERS LAW SCHOLARSHIPS 2014 Applications now open

Applications are now open for the 2014 round of the Smith and Partners Law Scholarships. The Smith and Partners Law Scholarships are open to students enrolled at a West Auckland secondary school in 2014 and intending to study law at a New Zealand university in 2015. Three scholarships of \$2000, \$1000 and \$500 are given out each year, and every finalist receives a \$50 book voucher. Finalists are selected on the basis of two essays, their academic record and school recommendations. This year Smith and Partners is launching the People's Choice Award – a fourth scholarship of \$500. Locals wills be invited to view the entry essays of the finalists online, and vote for their favourite author. The essay author with the most votes will be awarded the People's Choice Award. Applications close Monday, 4 August 2014 and entry details can be found on the Smith and Partners website – www.smithpartners.co.nz/lawscholarship.

LIVESTOCK MARKET AUCTION RESULTS

With cattle numbers much fewer as a result of clashing with Fieldays, prices were accordingly very strong with this also as a result of some very pleasant winter weather. Prime cattle are just continuing to sell at very consistent levels, which is very pleasing to those vendors that have carried heavy cattle into these wetter months! Young stock too saw a lift, with demand good for limited numbers. Grass growth has been very good recently, and this has prompted more buyer interest at the auction.



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Be aware that the Hugh Green Livestock Auctions that took place in Dunlop Road, Westgate is now closed.

KUMEU CLUB ALIVE & WELL.

The Kumeu Club has shifted from the Huapai Golf Club back into the Kumeu Business Centre and are now located at the Fireplace Restaurant where they have part of the restaurant set aside for Wednesday and Friday night get togethers. The club members enjoy special bar prices and discounts on meals. Their AGM is coming up in July and on Sunday the 20th July the club will run the Kumeu Wine Options Evening. This is a fun night at The Fireplace with entertainment and prizes. Tickets will be on sale 1st of July and will sell out quickly. Now days, the Kumeu Club focus on Social events like trips away to the Great Barrier, Tauramanui Rail Trail and Weekend Cruises.

If you are interested in joining up, you can contact the Entertainment Officer Donald Suckling on 021 879 266 or Secretary Lenore Read on email lenoreread@xtra.co.nz. Come along and meet us on a Friday night at the Fireplace.

KUMEU RUGBY 50 YEAR JUBILEE A HUGE SUCCESS!

After months of planning the 50th Jubilee of the Kumeu Rugby Club was a great success with supporters, players, old boys and members of the committee coming out in their hundreds to celebrate this momentous occasion. With Kumeu vs Kumeu Junior rugby kicking off at 10am and the lambs on the spit starting at 9am it was an all-day family affair. With the Senior games preceding the Juniors at 1pm the club spirit has never been more alive as the Junior plays and club supporters formed a tunnel cheering on their Senior teams as they took to the battle field. With two of the three Senior teams winning including the Ian Hudson Memorial trophy returning home from Northcote and the Western Premiers starting the second round with a convincing win in front of a packed club room the evening was set for a night of celebration. A big thank you to all the Sponsors, volunteers, parents, supporters and the wider community, without you we would not have been able to make this day so successful.





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AUCKLAND MEDIAN HOUSE PRICE UP 9.4% on may 2013

The easing trend in the number of sales continues, with all regions recording a decline in sales volume in May compared to 12 months ago, this being the second month in a row that we've seen this. We would normally expect an increase in sales in May compared to April, however, after taking seasonal factors into account the increase was just 1.6%. This leads us to conclude that the drop in sales in April due to the combination of Easter and ANZAC Day has not created an offsetting increase in sales in May. The weakening trend is also showing up in the number of days to sell. We are seeing an increase of a week or more in the number of days to sell between April and May. While the growth in the national median price is almost 10% compared to May 2013, the driving force for this increase are the Auckland and Canterbury/Westland regions. Together these two regions represent almost 53% of all sales, but contributed 76% of the uplift in the median price.

Sales Volumes - REINZ data shows there were 6,572 unconditional residential sales in May, a 15.9% increase on sales recorded for April, but a 14.8% fall from May 2013. May is typically the third strongest sales month after March and November, however on a seasonally adjusted basis the level of sales was up only 1.6% compared to April and down 12.6% compared to May 2013. This may be indicative of fewer sales in the lower price brackets since the imposition of the LVR restrictions.

Prices - The REINZ Stratified Housing Price Index, which adjusts for some of the variations in the mix that can impact on the median price, is 6.5% higher than May 2013. The Auckland Index has risen 9.4% Days To Sell - Dwellings took four days longer to sell in May compared to April at 38 days. Compared to May 2013, the median number of days to sell was three days longer. For more information contact Graham McIntyre, Licensed REAA2008, Phone 0800 900 700.



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RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS

Restrictive or building covenants are common to many modern subdivisions. Their aim is to make a uniform high guality environment by specifying quality building materials and usually a minimum house size.

However, no building covenant is standard. Variations could include detail such as the length of your lawn, height of the fence and colour of your letterbox. A developer builder could also give you a certificate of compliance for the house if you buy off the developer.

However, such certificates are virtually non-existent once the original developer has sold all of the lots in the subdivision and has been liquidated. Increasingly, purchasers are asking for an assurance that vendors have complied with the building covenants.

This means expense in the event that you have to enlist the help of a building surveyor or other expert.

Recommendation is to get a land covenant compliance certificate early and keep it with your title documents. For more information or advice please contact Luke Kemp, Kemp Barristers and Solicitors. Phone 09 412 6000.



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1. Make a difference - It can be incredibly rewarding to contribute something non-financial to a cause you care about.

2. Boost your confidence - Trying something new and getting out of your comfort zone every now and then can do wonders for your confidence levels.

3. Do something interesting - Don't let your spare time trickle away – fill it doing something interesting and challenging.

4. Meet new people - Tired of doing the same things with the same group of friends? Widen your circle and horizons by meeting people you might not normally.

5. Improve your prospects - Having volunteering on your CV demonstrates that you're someone with initiative and a rounded life. Nearly one third of the volunteers who leave the service each year go on into paid work.

6. Get to know your community - Whether you've lived in a town for 20 years or have just moved there, you'll develop a great feel for the people and the place at a Citizens Advice. 7. Put your talents to use - Use it or lose it! Got the gift of languages? Volunteer as an interpreter. The possibilities are endless.

8. Enjoy free training - CAB trainee advisers can gain through their training, and other skills like PR, can be learnt on the job in a supportive environment.

9. Gain office-based work experience - Get ahead of the competition for jobs and university places with some real life experience. Law students, for example, can use the CAB as a Community Placement.

10. We need you! - Ninety per cent of the people who work in the Citizens Advice service are volunteers, and we simply wouldn't be here for our clients without them.

The Citizens Advice Service at Massey/Westgate needs volunteers, if you think this rewarding voluntary work could be for you contact Barbara Phone 09 833 5775 or email cab.massey@ xtra.co.nz.



PINK PASSION ROSEWATER CUPCAKES



250gm butter
1 ½ cups caster sugar
4 eggs
2 tsp rosewater essence
A drop of red or pink food colouring
3 cups self raising flour
1 tsp Baking powder
1 cup buttermilk or sour milk
(to sour milk add 2 tsp lemon juice or vinegar to room temperature full cream milk)

Preheat oven to 180°C, Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add the eggs one and a time and beat well Add the rosewater essence and colouring Sift the flour and baking powder together and add with the buttermilk. Mix until smooth. ½ fill cupcake cases and bake for 20 mins.

Buttercream lcing: 150g butter - softened 4 cups icing sugar 2 Tbsp milk 1 tsp vanilla essence A drop of pink food colouring Beat the butter until fluffy. Add the sifted icing sugar, essence and milk. Beat all together. Add a drop of food colouring and beat to give a pale pink fluffy icing. When cold top each cupcake with piped pale pink

buttercream and decorate with sugar hearts

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That's it from me, but do Pop in and see us at 10B Shamrock Drive Kumeu. We are open Monday to Friday 9.30am to 4.30pm.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE NOW AVAILABLE SATURDAY

A Justice of the Peace (JP) service is now available every Saturday morning at the Library in Huapai between 10am and 12noon. JP's are happy to help and there is no charge for their services. No appointment is necessary at the library on Saturday mornings. Whilst JP's are not legal advisors, there are some legal processes that a JP can assist with and save people the need to go to see a lawyer. A JP can witness signatures on documents, certify copies of documents as true copies, take oaths, statutory declarations, affidavits and affirmations. There are many documents and processes that require these. Some examples are Sponsorship applications and other immigration related matters, change of name, dissolutionsolution rebates applications, witnessing deeds and some land related doc-

uments, and certifying photographs as a true likeness. Even certifying that someone is still alive! There are a few things to remember that people needing a JP should do before they come. If they want a copy of a document to be certified as a true copy, make sure they bring the original with them. If the original is only viewable on a computer screen, make sure that this document can be viewed on the library computer or a smart phone. If swearing or affirming or making a Statutory Declaration, bring identification documentation like a driver's Licence or passport to the library. Don't sign the document before you come, as the JP needs to view the signing. Many (but not all) forms have a place for completing the signing and dating, so check to see that Justice of the Peace is one of the authorised persons. There are forms for Government departments covering a myriad of circumstances including health, education and immigration. Many of these can be completed by a JP. There are about 20 JP's in the Muriwai, Taupaki, Kumeu, Waimauku, Huapai, and Riverhead areas and these JP's are happy to see people by appointment at the JP's home. Addresses and phone numbers of JP's can be found in the Yellow Pages or at www.jpfed.org.nz. Many people however are diffident about doing this and prefer to go to somewhere like a library or CAB to get JP assistance. There is also a JP at the Massey Library CAB every Monday to Friday between 1pm and 3pm. Clive Preston-Thomas JP. Phone 09 412 7312.





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in French Pastry making, Alli had added a new range of french inspired pastries, her famous doughnuts, traditional loaf cakes and much more for you to enjoy as well as offering all of Greg's popular loaves. The Gourmet Gannet is now open Friday to Sunday offering a lunchtime menu as well as the bread and patisserie selection, including seasonal salads, pies, artisan filled breads and a smoothie of the day. A catering service is available.

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STORMY WEATHER SPARKS ACTION

After some stormy weather this month we have been doing guite a bit of work installing sensor lights and repairing hot water cylinders around the area. In fact the month has seen me on a wide variety of work from complete home builds in Henderson to wiring concrete trucks down in Wiri for Goughs and installing new winches and batteries on boats wintering at various marinas. Please check out our facebook page for some of the variety. https://www.facebook.com/sparknelectrical

For any electrical enquiries or concerns, please call Tony direct on 021 772 756 (021 sparkn) or for bookings Karen can be contacted on 09 411 8526. Have a great school holiday.

JOY AND ELATION WITH RECORD RESULTS



Good results are being achieved throughout the market and although it is a little damp underfoot, sales values are strong and time on the market is not a significant factor. Market demand appears strong through all sectors rural, lifestyle and residential with a lack of supply affecting all price categories. Anyone considering an iminent sale might consider Graham McIntyre as one of the areas best performers, these photos are the latest in a series of selfies appearing on facebook.com. To get your own sold sticker and selfie with Graham phone 0800 900 700. Congratulations to Barry, Shirley, John and Eli on their resent sales.



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38 Property Talk With Ashleigh

It's hard to believe that we are already halfway through the year - and with the arrival of winter - we are looking forward to seeing what the market has in store. There are traditionally fewer listings on the market during winter so this can be a great time to list your property. Fewer listings means less competition and this can lead to an increase in the buver interest for your home. There are plenty of buyers out there at the moment and we are always looking for new properties to take to the market. If you are thinking about selling your home then it is a good idea to look at completing odd jobs around you home to make sure it is market ready. Keep in mind it's those first impressions that really count. To sell your home in winter you still need to keep the house looking well maintained with eaves cleaned and minor repairs taken care off. Although you can't paint in winter a chemical wash on the exterior works wonders and will bring the paint work up nicely. Call Ashleigh Taylor on 0800 900 700.

LOOKING AFTER YOUR HAIR During Winter

First we huddle indoors in dry heated air and then suddenly, we weather bone-chilling temperatures and icy winds. Winter can be hard on skin and hair. Both need extra care when old man winter comes knocking. Why not treat yourself and your hair to a wellness day? How about a hair spa day? All you need is a little time and the right cosmetics to bring back the natural beauty not only of your hair. If time is your problem then pop in to the salon. Pamper your hair with a moisturising treatment that your scalp and hair will thank you for! Your scalp is going to feel relaxed, your hair rejuvenated and so will you! Call or txt Carla at Zash Hair today for your appointment 021 814 663.

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