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## Bean Rock playground comes with \$1million price tag

The cost of the new Bean Rock-themed playground at Windsor Reserve has been estimated at \$990,000 to \$1.1million.

Opus International Consultants Ltd has

completed the cost estimate and it has been reviewed by Auckland Council quantity surveyors.

The estimate included detailed design

costs, professional services (including arborist fees), consenting, internal fees and construction. Also included is \$275,000 for

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## Walker implants green to *Forest has the Blues*



**A conversation about conservation... Celia Walker (left ) works alongside Toni Hartill to bring together native shrubs and art prints for their ecological exhibiton *Forest has the Blues*. Story page 35.**



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## Two-year delay and extra \$200k possible on soccer ground upgrade

The redevelopment of Dacre Park, the home of Allen Hill Stadium, could result in a two-year delay and \$200,000 of additional costs if the work is publicly notified for consultation.

Concept designs for the project are well advanced and council hopes to lodge a resource consent in August, a council report to the Devonport-Takapuna Local-Board (DTLB) last week said.

A sticking point is whether to fully notify the project – which would mean submissions and a hearing – or not.

The DTLB passed a resolution earlier this year that due to residents’ concerns, and significant public interest in the project, the resource consent should be fully notified.

Council staff want this stance “revisited”, with the decision to notify (or not) resting with the independent commissioner assigned to the application.

“Advice received is that if the application

is appealed to the Environment Court, the approximate costs to council could be \$200,000 and two years could be added to the time line.”

“The main points of contention relate to traffic and noise. Both these aspects fully comply with the zone rules in the Unitary Plan and do not need resource consent,” the council report said.

Resource consent is required because of works occurring, a flood plain and the fact the park is in a heritage zone.

Expert reports are currently being finalised about the noise and traffic issues. The reports are likely to be ready for the DTLB July meeting.

Council officers are finalising a new lease agreement with North Shore United.

If the resource consent goes through smoothly, work on entranceways and car parks could be completed by February–April 2019 and the fields and floodlighting upgrade finished between October 2019 and April 2020.

## Noise and parking concerns addressed



### Allen Hill Stadium... the latest concept plan for Dacre Park

The number of additional car parks in the Dacre Park redevelopment has been dropped from 43 to 35 – primarily to avoid removing two large Pohutukawa.

The latest design includes 35 new car parks (15 at the southern entrance, 7 on-site and 13 at the northern entrance). The total number of car parks on the site would be 85, which is more than the 53 required under the Unitary Plan guidelines (40 for the clubrooms and 13 for the field).

In a new management plan for Dacre Park, Auckland Council has required North Shore United to introduce protocols to reduce noise (including bad language, and excessive screaming and yelling). Air horns and other noise devices are banned. The club will also have to discourage players from parking in surrounding streets.

# Milestone: Hinchie hits 200 games for Shore



**Vintage contribution... James Hinchco (with baby) celebrates his 200th game with his family.**

Jersey: 2; games played: 200; premier player: James Hinchco. The North Shore team sheet against Takapuna says it all.

Hinchie, as he is affectionately known, started playing for North Shore Rugby Club as a five-year-old, living on the corner of Tainui Rd just several hundred metres from the club fields.

His mother Andrea Hinchco told the Flagstaff their home was ideally located for the sports-mad James: halfway between North Shore Rugby Club and North Shore Cricket Club.

Rugby won out, and James Hinchco played for 33 years in the green-and-white stripes, celebrating 200 games for the premier side last Saturday against Takapuna. He played the first-half and did so in typical fashion: straight line-out throwing, several strong driving runs and a turnover when he held a player off the ground.

Only three other players have notched 200 games for Shore: Paul Vegar (262, 1983-2006); Peter Thorburn (246, 1961-1973) and Ash Edwards (202, 1964 to 1976).

Vegar, a prop who played many games alongside Hinchco, said he remembered that when the young player first turned out for Shore premiers, "all he wanted to do was sidestep."

Shore Captain Ben Stewart said Hinchco's 200 games was a "very rare" achievement "by an outstanding rugby player."

Hincho thanked his family for their support. They had been to many of his games, when Shore won the championship in 2011 and even created a special label for a vintage from their Warkworth vineyard.

Hinchco recalled being a junior player and a ballboy for senior games: all he wanted to do was to turn out for the premiers.

His first coach was his father Mike, "who

I think played one game of rugby in his life." But he instilled a team spirit among the young players that brought a love for the game.

He paid special mention to the faith put in him by his first premiers coach Grant Simpkins, who started him as a raw 20-year-old in Shore's premiership final win against Takapuna in 2001.

Simpkins spent a number of years "trying to toughen up a kid from the mean streets of Devonport," Hinchco said.

He spoke of his first premiership game: feeling sick with nerves on a seat in the Shore changing room; a pre-game seat he made his own in his 18-year premier playing career.

His wife Amy had put up with the tribulations of living with a rugby player for 11 years, he said, "sulking when we lose, whingeing when we are injured and over-celebrating when we win."

Hinchco reflected on the special players he had taken the field with: Vegar, Phil Weedon, Brad Tingle, and Luke Dodderell (both school mates), Luke Hamilton and Willie Walker.

Also important to him were the young players who had come through in the second phase of his career: Josh Blusher, Leigh Thompson and Ben Stewart.

Although Hinchco has retired at least three times before, with two young daughters it is unlikely he will be back as a player in 2019. But he is coaching at Takapuna Grammar this year and will no doubt retain a strong attachment to the club.

Hinchco was something of a surprise starter in 2018.

Andrea was away overseas and saw a news report on a Shore game stating Hinchco tries: (2). He wasn't supposed to be on the field.

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**Brothers in arms... veterans James Hinchco (left) and Willie Walker after the match**

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## Tenancies filled...

All seven tenancies at the Devonport Wharf stage-two development have been filled, according to Auckland Transport (AT).

Two shops are already open with a third expected at the end of the month.

The remaining four shops have “terms agreed and documents with the tenant for signing,” an AT spokesperson said.

## ...But rest of wharf remains empty

The final stage of the Devonport Wharf redevelopment will remain empty in the meantime.

Stage 3 “was always identified as the area to serve public transport and passengers, and will be developed after the other stages are completed,” an Auckland Transport spokesperson said.

While there is no specific budget for this, “the public-transport team will be looking at how this area is to be developed in order to provide faster and easier access to public transport,” the spokesman said.

# No cheese scones for the Flagstaff – banned from ‘private hui’

The Flagstaff was banned from covering a meeting between the Maunga Authority and the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board last week.

The ‘private hui’ between the board and the authority was not on any agenda. But it had been mentioned at the board’s June meeting.

Briefings to the local board are public, and the Flagstaff felt the hui was no different.

The Maunga Authority, and how it had consulted Devonport residents over the management of Mt Victoria recently, has been a hot topic and the subject of a fiery public meeting.

The Flagstaff believes a meeting between the ratepayer-funded board and authority should be covered in the public interest.

However, when editor Rob Drent, turned up at the meeting rooms in Takapuna, he was told by local board chair George Wood that the media was not welcome.

Board members Mike Sheehy and Jan O’Connor did not seem to have similar concerns. O’Connor invited Drent to attend the

meeting in an adjoining room.

Nothing was confidential and the board was the intermediary between the council and residents, she said.

When Drent tried to enter, Wood made it clear he was not welcome.

Board member Mike Cohen said he had no objection to Drent’s attendance; as far as he knew there was nothing confidential to be discussed.

Wood asked Drent what he was doing trying to enter the room, as he had already said the media was not welcome.

O’Connor said she had invited Drent to attend. However, Wood remained firm on the media ban.

“That’s my decision,” he said. Wood did not consult other board members.

Following the meeting, councillor Cathy Casey posted on Facebook: “The Maunga Authority had a really productive meeting late afternoon with the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board and ward councillors Chris Darby and Richard Hills. Thank you very much for the cheese scones George Wood.”



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# Takapuna Grammar rugby stars happy with the Blues

Five Takapuna Grammar rugby players have been selected for Auckland Blues development squads.

Caleb Leef, Oscar Koller, Jackson Rice and Lockie McNair have been included in a week-long Blues under-18 camp. The camp ends with a game against the Hurricanes in Taupo. Lockie was also invited into the squad's leadership group.

Jay Natapu has been included in the Blues under-17 squad and has also been named in the New Zealand Maori under-18 squad.

Other Takapuna Grammar players are trialling for North Harbour under-14 and under-16 squads.

**Potential recognised...Takapuna Grammar rugby players Jay Natapu, Lockie McNair, Jackson Rice, Oscar Koller, and Caleb Leef and have been included in Auckland Blues age-group squads**



## Liquorland Boutique gets go ahead

A controversial new bottle shop has been signed off by the Auckland District Licensing Committee.

The Liquorland Boutique off-licence, planned for the former video store at 19 Clarence St, was approved following a hearing on 28 June. Conditions included:

- No alcohol to be sold or delivered on Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Christmas Day or before 1pm on Anzac Day.
- Alcohol may be sold only on Monday to Sunday, from 9am to 10pm.
- The display of RTDs for sale is not permitted. These products must be kept inside a chiller room.

More than 40 objections to the application

were received. Concerns included the perceived increase in RTD consumption, more public drinking and the fact Devonport already has ample liquor outlets.

However the licensing committee dismissed most of the arguments.

"Apart from Joy Mace and Glengarry Wines Ltd, none of the other objectors appeared before the committee at the hearing," the decision released last week said.

"Objectors who do not appear before us, without explanation for their absence, are in the position that their objections will likely have no value."

Neither the police or health authorities lodged objections.

## Board refuses to pay Panuku invoice

A \$36,000 invoice from Panuku for rent for the Devonport visitor centre occupancy of 3 Victoria Rd is being disputed.

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board had granted the Devonport Business Association (DBA) the money to keep the visitor centre open.

The association had been in discussion with Panuku since early 2017 about a potential lease, but nothing came of it. Panuku (Auckland Council's property arm) came up with a lease offer at the end of last year, but it was at commercial rates and would have required the association to pay up to \$1m in earthquake-strengthening costs.

DBA chair Dianne Hale told the local board at a meeting last week that money had been kept in a separate account and would be paid back to it.

## Seasonal winter slowdown

We are noticing that the property market has slowed on the North Shore. With winter, there is less stock available, as sellers hunker down, buyers are holding back and bank credit is getting tighter. Market "evaluations" are definitely lower, if not actual prices.

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## Report — June 2018

### Winter brings a paucity of new listings as property prices dip

June will be remembered for the extreme shortage of new listings. Just 10 properties were newly advertised for sale across the Devonport peninsula in the month, down from 26 in May and compared to the November peak of 32 properties.

This shortage of new stock is facing off against a steady pace of sales; which for the past three months showed no change from a year ago, with 50 transactions in the three months to June.

This situation of very low listings and robust sales has depleted the available selection for the active buyers who are still evident in the market. This resulted in June beginning the month with 49 properties available to buy, but four weeks later that number had fallen to just 35.

The median sales price over the past three months is down 2%, reflecting the underlying trend of property prices across the wider region, which is best described as subdued. The median sales price of all properties over the past 3 months is \$1,482,500.

#### HOUSE SALES

Total house sales, at 39 in the three months to June, was up 19%. The median sales price of these houses was \$1,750,000, down 4% when compared to the same time a year ago. This fall in the median price is just the fifth time in the past five years that house prices have adjusted downwards. However, this is consistent with the broader reports for property sale prices across the North Shore and Auckland more generally.

#### UNIT SALES

The key driver of the market for investment and owner-occupied units in Devonport is the rate of sales. Just three sales have been recorded in the three months to June, down a whopping 65%.

The past 12 months has seen just 15 sales of units compared to a total of 43 sales this time last year. The impact of these declining sales has seen the median sales price slip 15% when compared to a year ago, falling from \$827,500 to just \$700,000 for the latest three months.

Note: such a low level of sales can significantly affect median prices. The most recent 12-month median sales price of units was \$780,000.

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June 2018	Properties on the market (as at 30 June)	Properties Listed (Apr/May/June)	Properties Sold (Apr/May/June)	Variance in moving annual total sales	Median Sale Price (\$M) (Apr/May/June)	Variance compared to last year
All Properties	35	61	50	▶ 0%	\$1.482M	▼ -2%
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## Playground price tag



### Lighthouse play structure... estimated to cost \$275,000 as part of the new playground

design and construction of a unique Bean Rock play tower, according to a council report to the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board.

“This cost is comparable with other play spaces within the city of a similar scale, ranging between \$900,000 to \$1.6million, depending on the size and complexity,” says the report.

“Significant trees within the reserve have impacted on the design and construction methodology. On-site investigations have been undertaken to help inform the design and mitigate construction risk. However, there is a risk that underground roots may necessitate design changes during the construction phase. This may have cost and time implications,” the report says.

The local board has allocated \$240,000 to the project. The money will go towards the cost of the bespoke Bean Rock play tower and the upgrade of the walkway through the play-space area, the report says.

The proposed Bean Rock tower is 7.9

metres high, and is inspired by the historic Bean Rock lighthouse in the Waitemata Harbour that can be seen in the distance from Windsor Reserve.

Funding for construction of the play space in the 2018/19 financial year has been confirmed. A final report is expected to be presented to the local board in August/September.

While “stakeholders” were consulted throughout the process, public engagement appears to have been limited.

“Engagement with the community on the design was undertaken in late February 2018. A static display was installed at the Devonport library for a week,” the report says.

Feedback on the proposed concept was low, with only seven submissions received.

“The majority of feedback was in support of the evolved design; keeping the oak tree and constructing a play tower resembling Bean Rock lighthouse. The two submissions that were not in support were against spend-



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# Scouts' honour: winter warmer farewells group leader



**A flourishing Scout troupe... (from left to right) Theo Hoyte, Ben Holt, Christopher Jones, Siobhan Taylor, Michael de Boyett, Jason Taylor (leader)**

You can take the boy out of Scouting, but you can't take Scouting out of the boy. Christopher Jones will be handing over to a new leader of the 1st Devonport Scout Group, after 10 years at the helm. But what he learned 30 years prior as a young Scout, remains firmly entrenched.

A midwinter family event was an apt way to farewell Jones and mark his contribution to Scouting. Of Jones' array of achievements, he feels most proud of the values he has shared and the impact he has had on the lives of 200

young people over that 10-year period.

In 2009, Jones inherited a group that was "on its knees". Membership of the oldest Scouting group in New Zealand had dwindled to just three Cub members. By 2014, it had 126 youth members and is now one of the strongest groups in the country.

Jones also took on a dilapidated Scout hut. Over the course of 2010, drainage work, painting and plumbing followed and it has been restored and is in demand from other groups and holiday programmes.

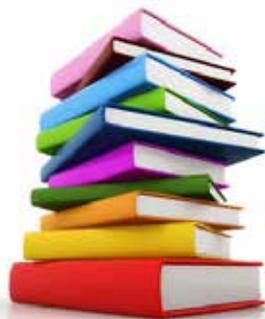
In 2012, renovations were also undertaken further afield, at the Devonport Scouts' Rangitoto Island bach. The group is only one of two in New Zealand to have its own camping facilities.

Earlier this year, Theo Hoyte and Michael de Boyett were presented with Queen's Scouts Awards, a major accomplishment and the first for the group since 1963.

The Devonport Scouts have been active in the community under Jones, assisting at local events and raising money for charity through their sponsored hikes and other fundraising challenges.

Plenty of potential leaders could have filled Jones' boots, which is a capability he has "worked very hard on. Unless you have trained leaders, you can't run a Scout group properly," he says.

A new 1st Devonport Scouts leader has been nominated by the local group, and will be appointed by Scouting New Zealand.



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# Success for diving newcomer

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After competing at a national event, Holly was one of five from Auckland selected to take part in the Singapore championships against countries including Russia, Malaysia and Thailand. "It was quite an intense environment" says Holly. "A lot of the divers dive full-time, train every day and get paid to do it. I was surprised by my result."

Holly's five medals were: 1st on platform (14-15 years), 1st on 3m (14-15 years), 1st in 14-18 year old girls synchro, 2nd in open mixed synchro and 3rd on 1m (14-15 years).

The success continues for Holly who has earned a spot on the New Zealand team for the World Junior Champs in Ukraine. She will be the only female in the team, and the first female platform diver to compete from New Zealand. Holly, and her four team mates, are currently travelling to London, where they will train with the former British Olympic diving coach before heading to Ukraine to compete.



## Nam Nam is Nom Nom!

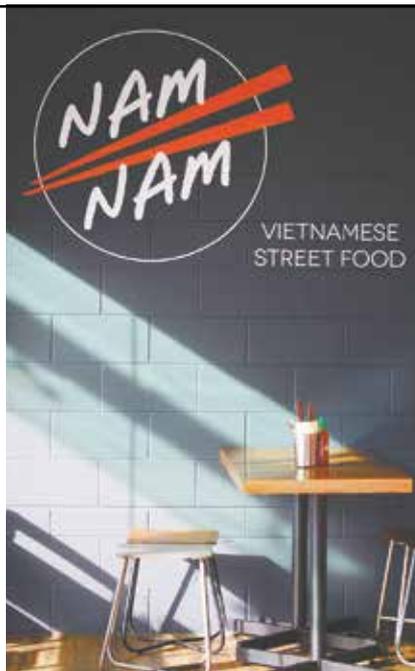
Bo Nguyen and business partner Billie Dang had owned Sen Vietnamese Kitchen in Mt Eden for three years, before realising there was no Vietnamese food in Takapuna.

Their solution was Nam Nam – an authentic Vietnamese lunch spot serving up fresh, healthy and fast street food. "It's really authentic Vietnamese food with nature and fresh ingredients with family-made recipes" says Nguyen. "For those who have travelled to Vietnam, or want to try real Vietnamese food, we are here for them." Quality, service and fresh ingredients are of great importance to the pair, and this has been incorporated into Nam Nam.

"All of our food is dairy-free and mostly gluten-free as well. It's easy to make any of our dishes vegetarian or vegan," Nguyen says.

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# An albatross around the neck of local stakeholders

Congratulations to our local board – it's a fait accompli. The out-of-place albatross sculpture is to be dumped on Victoria Wharf.

Who is the local board actually representing with their vote 'for' the sculpture?

On what basis are the various art galleries 'stakeholders' any more than local residents? Would the local board please give the definition of 'stakeholders' in this instance?

The impression is that our local board is hiding behind the word 'stakeholders' to justify their decision, as though this is some superior group to residents and regular users of the wharf.

How can they have made a fully informed decision if they haven't even seen the sculpture and do they know its dimensions? If the artist's impression is to scale, then the sculpture is very large.

Why do people need to be drawn to the wharf? What exactly does this statement refer to?

What will draw people to the wharf is the view of the America's Cup yachts departing and returning each day. Now the view will be cluttered with this sculpture. Just as the corner of the commuter wharf, with one of the best harbour views in Auckland, has

been taken by toilets. And the whole wall at the end of the wharf, instead of having panoramic windows, is blocked out and we have a small picture of Rangitoto Island to look at!

If there is a need for people to be drawn to the wharf – though the wharf gets plenty of visitors in the warmer months – the most valuable asset and drawcard is the unobstructed view of the harbour and passing vessels.

But Council, Auckland Transport and now our local board are doing their best to blot it all out.

**J Leighton**

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## Freedom campers are mostly Kiwis

Devonport is becoming too miserable to allow freedom campers into our isthmus. My wife and I are frequent users of Narrow Neck Beach, Fort Takapuna Reserve and the Woodall Reserve car park, and we have not seen any of the problems associated with freedom campers in other parts of the country. There are adequate facilities opposite the car park, with toilets and showers (albeit cold), plus a cafe for hot food and drinks.

If the local board member quoted had got out of his little red car and had spoken to the occupants of the 10 camper vans, he may be surprised to find some of them are New Zealand retirees travelling the country after a long working life.

As for the busloads of families that arrive

on public holidays and fine weekends, they take over the foreshore of the beach and parts of Woodall Reserve, erecting marquees and tents, often having barbecues on the reserve and playing loud music. Would I seek to ban them? Of course not! They are entitled to use the area just as we are. It's too easy to impose bans (Mt Victoria), and better to make sure that control of numbers are sought and facilities are provided.

Many of the baby-boomer generation will purchase camper vans to spend time travelling their country. Imagine what would happen if bans are sought everywhere.

I hope Auckland Council ignores the local board's request, just as they do with most other matters.

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Wouldn't it be great if our supermarket took a leadership position and that figure rose to 100 per cent?

Surely they are aware there is so much evidence offered daily by international news channels outlining the disastrous impact these plastic bags are having.

Faced with what we now know, it beggars

belief there is not a clear plan to eliminate the supply of single-use plastic bags immediately.

Many of us were brought up without them and the world didn't grind to a halt.

I note the supermarket spokesperson says not everyone is ready to make the change. My suggestion: don't provide customers with any option.

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## Sky is the limit for promising Belmont squash juniors

Belmont Park squash juniors Matthew Lucente and Gabe Yam are testing the waters in professional tournaments. Rob Drent, who has followed their careers, went along to an elite training session just prior to their departure to the world junior champs in India, and found no quarter was given.



Plenty to boast about... New Zealand's top junior squash players Matthew Lucente (left) and Gabe Yam

Their heart rates are pounding at more than 170 beats a minute after a 50-shot rally. But they are barely sweating – and this at the tail end of a one-hour fifteen-minute elite-training session. For Matthew Lucente and Gabe Yam this is fun.

Coach Manu Yam cut their Monday night

training short by 15 minutes to allow time for a Flagstaff interview. One more drill he says.

“Let’s play a game,” says Matthew, with a smile. A quick nod from Gabe and the two top juniors in the country are into it – racing to all four corners of the court at their home club Belmont Park Racquets. No coaching needed now – this is what they love doing.

Gabe and Matthew are two of the most exciting players to come onto the New Zealand squash scene in years. They’ve raced through the grades, winning a number of national junior titles along the way, and are now breaking into the top ten in the senior ranks. Both achieved the semi-professional A1 grading aged 16.

Gabe (17) has always been a touch behind Matthew (18) but showed his potential a month ago by being the first 17-year-old to reach the semi-finals of the New Zealand National Championships, beating a number of seeds along the way. He lost to world number 10 and eventual champion Paul Coll, but came within two points of taking a game.

Matthew has won the under-15, under-17 and under-19 national titles – beating Gabe in last year’s final.

Their success has come as a result of a cluster of keen players coming through Belmont Park: Matthew, Gabe and his cousin Rafa Yam, who started the ball rolling by winning a North

Island under-13 title. The fourth element of the success equation is Rafa’s dad, coach Manu Yam – a 16-time Philippines squash champion who arrived in New Zealand with his young family in 2006. The Gabe-Rafa-Matthew nucleus provided ready-made training partners, mates and, over the years, rivals.

Rafa is now at Otago University and not competing due to a hip injury. So it’s Gabe and Matthew who joined other top New Zealand players, including Sion Wiggan and Ellie Epke, at a Squash New Zealand elite programme run by Manu last Monday.

Belmont Park squash courts are like most others round the country: pockmarked plaster over concrete; wooden floors; a few red lines; and tin with a sponsor’s name, in this case painting contractor Ross Kingdom.

On the adjoining court, a lower grade inter-club match is in progress. Several years ago, Matthew and Gabe would have been on that court, battling away to improve their gradings. Now, the week prior, they had played in a Professional Squash Association (PSA) tournament.

It’s a cold night and the court feels like a fridge. But to squash players (of whom I am one), there’s no better place. There’s something about the confinement – you’re shut off from the world; the proximity to the other player



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ups the intensity of the gladiatorial contest.

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Manu feeds balls from the back of the court with the players rotating and hitting cross-courts and drives in two-minute bursts, stretching and contorting all round the court.

They are difficult – to most people, impossible – movements.

But for top players like Matthew and Gabe, who move with such precision and grace, it almost resembles ballet at times.

## Flashback 1

Circa 2012. I'm playing Matthew at in a non-descript tournament in Henderson. He's already a top junior for his age. But I've been playing a couple of decades and he's only 12 for God's sake. I fancied my chances. It's a close game, but even, and I get the impression he's starting to feel the pressure. He has match point, so I put up a difficult shot – a high back lob to the backhand. He smashes it into the nick for a winner. Game over. I thought this kid could be quite good.

## Flashback 2

About a year later, at Devonport Squash Club. Gabe has just made it into B grade and is playing Damon Lord, a seasoned senior B1. Realistically, Gabe has little chance of winning. But the match goes the distance and as Lord grinds out the win, for most of the last game Gabe is red-faced with tears flowing down his face, such is the effort he's putting in. That determination could see him go a long way I thought.

But talent as a young player is nothing without hard work and sacrifice. And by 2018, and both Gabe and Matthew have put in the thousands of hours needed to become top in their sports.

I ask coach Manu how many balls they would typically hit in a training session. He looks at me as if it is the most stupid question he's been asked. "Hundreds" he eventually says.

They train six days per week and have recently been fine-tuning their bodies for the rigours of elite competition. Lean frames are better for squash as every ounce has to be carried, point to point, shot to shot. Matthew has lost a couple of kilos and is down to a playing weight of 73kg. Gabe likes to keep his weight at 59/60 kg.

Takeaways are out, and Gabe says he has "cleaned up my diet", keeping processed foods to a minimum. "I used to eat a lot of sugary snacks. I'm trying to keep 80 per cent of my food clean and the other 20 per cent whatever; that seems to work for me."

The extremes squash players push themselves to is increasingly being documented



**Elite training...Matthew (left) and Gabe on court at Belmont last week**

with heart and GPS monitoring.

Top players' heart rates can reach 190 beats a minute. World number four Tarak Momen, in the longest match of 2017, ran 5 km on court – most of the coverage in 3-5metre sprints.

Both Matthew and Gabe have had competition matches that have gone over an hour.

In long matches, Matthew says the physical side becomes less important. "It becomes mental – you have to just keep going and push yourself and back all the training you've done."

Matthew and Gabe were playing in the North Island junior championships in Wellington last weekend, the final tune-up before they leave today for the world junior champs in Chennai, India.

Strangely, as they are so competitive, they haven't kept records of their competition matches against each other. They have played probably more than 50 times though. Matthew has won them all bar "one last year". Gabe chips in, with just a hint that it was a memorable match for him.

While they are top of the tree in New Zealand, they have no illusions about where they sit internationally. In the 128-man draw in Chennai, they will probably be seeded around the 20th mark. Quarter-final finishes would exceed their expectations.

They have high hopes in the teams event through. New Zealand will probably be 4th seeds.

"We hope to medal," says Matthew, adding it is the strongest team New Zealand has sent to the World Junior Squash Champs since 2010, when Paul Coll and Lance Beddoes were members.

The recent PSA tournaments Gabe and Matthew have played in have given them a glance into what life could be like after they leave the junior ranks.

They've both got world rankings (now in the low 400s). Playing against, and training with, the professional players who came to New Zealand for the tournaments has sharpened their games and given them an insight into what it takes to make it at the professional level.

"It's a lot of work," says Matthew. "They

play at such a higher pace than us...when you watch Squash TV you don't know how fast they are playing until you get out on court with them."

Both boys are in their final year at Westlake Boys High School. Matthew is moving to the United States in September to attend a high school in Connecticut, before hopefully taking up an athletics scholarship to study software engineering at US university.

Gabe plans to set the SAT test for American Universities at the end of 2018, but he may stay in New Zealand for his final year in the squash juniors.

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**"After an hour on court, the match becomes mental rather than physical. You have to push yourself and back the training you have done."**

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Squash players peak in their late 20s, so there is time to complete university studies and contemplate a squash career afterwards, says Matthew.

Both players have one dream that may elude them – through no fault of their own. Even though they are shaping up as the next generation of elite athletes in their chosen sport, the chance to compete at the Olympics is not an option. Squash, for some vagary, is not considered worthy of inclusion.

If this changes, the first time Olympic squash could be played would be 2028. "It is the only possible goal we could aim for as it didn't get accepted in 2024. It's terrible for squash, but for our age group it is not the end, we could still be around for that," says Gabe, with that glint of quiet determination opponents know so well.



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**By Rob Drent**

The openness of the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board (DLTB) and the Tupuna Maunga Authority needs to be questioned after the Flagstaff was turned away from reporting on a meeting between the two bodies last week. Readers will recall the huge turnout to a public meeting last month, when the Maunga Authority came to Devonport to address a perceived lack of consultation over changes to Takarunga/Mt Victoria operations, principally pedestrianisation. I would have thought the fallout from the meeting would have led to new level of openness, but it appears the authority has gone back into its shell with a “private” hui with the local board.

Board workshops – where council officers give briefings and updates on local matters and projects – have been public for some time, after a campaign by board members Grant Gillon, Mike Cohen and Jan O’Connor, which was supported by the Flagstaff. It was groundbreaking for Auckland as the DLTB is still the only board in Auckland to do this, although in Hamilton all local board briefings are now public.

However, for some reason the hui was judged private. The Flagstaff attendance didn’t seem to worry board members Cohen, O’Connor or Mike Sheehy. But local board chair George Wood did not want us there.

The Maunga Authority members were silent throughout the discussion. But later, member Cathy Casey cheerily posted on Facebook that it was a productive meeting and she enjoyed the cheese scones brought in by Wood.

What went on at the meeting? I don’t know, and without being there it makes for difficult reporting as both groups are capable of putting their own spin on proceedings. The combined level of ratepayer-funded salaries of those in the room would be in excess of \$1million. I defend

the press right to report on any new developments or issues of public interest that were raised. I wasn’t invited, but it left a feeling of a lack of transparency. Wood might be entirely right in his interpretation. But I will be following up with council’s governing body for its view.

Explore North Shore – a joint initiative between the Milford, Takapuna and Devonport Business districts – has launched, with a website and brochures, and is now aiming to increase its profile.

On the surface it’s a great idea – a combined effort to attract tourists to the North Shore, with the support of Auckland tourism (ATEED). The combined clout also means joint advertising promotions can be rolled out to tourist information centres.

However, I can see fish hooks ahead for Devonport businesses that will need to be carefully negotiated. Devonport is often referred to as the gateway to the North Shore, with thousands of tourists arriving by ferry every year. Takapuna and Milford BID areas are obviously keen to get a slice of these visitor dollars. An approach for a ferry-bus day pass for the Shore area has already been made, the Enterprise North Shore Team told the DTLB in a briefing last week. It may sound parochial, but how many Devonport businesses can risk visitors already in town having their day diluted by travelling further afield? Or am I being short-sighted, with the SkyPath link over the Harbour Bridge in the future creating a North Shore cycle tourism experience, just one example of an extended Shore attraction?

There seems to be a lack of high-level support for Devonport as a destination in its own right. ATEED has refused to fund the Devonport information centre for example, while spending thousands promoting Waiheke. Maybe some of the Explore North Shore spend could go towards a fully functional visitor information centre in Devonport?

Joint initiatives have failed before. More than 15 years ago, North Shore City Council launched a bus service that picked up tourists

from downtown and took them to Northcote/ Birkenhead and on to Takapuna/Milford and then Devonport. It was a flop.

A \$1 million price tag has emerged for the redeveloped playground at Windsor Reserve, including \$275,000 for a bespoke tower resembling Bean Rock lighthouse. Is it too much money to spend?

I’m in two minds about this. Windsor Reserve is one of the most visited places in Devonport and should be the jewel in the crown. But will the playground dominate the open space and views from the street to the harbour, which many felt have been comprised by the size of the Devonport library? Of more pressing need is an upgrade to the Windsor Reserve toilets.

On the playground, consultation by Auckland Council with residents was poor. Only seven submissions were received to a display put up in the library. But it wasn’t advertised, so how could people know it was there?

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## TGS 1st XV hold out for another win

The Takapuna Grammar (TGS) 1st XV rugby side continued its winning form with a 14-12 victory over Massey last weekend. The side, currently joint leaders in the table, came through to make it 17 games in a row undefeated.

TGS forged ahead in the first-half, thanks to an early Lochie McNair corner try, followed by three penalties.

In the second-half the Massey forward pack got its game face on, and rolled in two late tries, only one of which was converted.

In what's sure to be a competitive next match, TGS will take on Westlake Boys High School at home on 28 July, for a top-of-the-table battle, in the second to last round of competition.

## Church hall a safe rock for teenage gigs

More alcohol-free gigs for teenagers are planned at St Margaret's Church Hall in Belmont over the next few months.

The first concert at the hall on 16 June, featuring Takapuna Grammar School band Shed and the semi-professional band The Rubics, was attended by 70 people.

Three more gigs are booked at St Margaret's for 21 July, 18 August and 22 September. They will continue to feature local and other semi-professional bands that many teens would not normally be able to see perform.

Devonport Youth Forum is providing the 'crew' for the gigs, helping with pre-event promotion and set-up/pack-down on the day.

The idea for the gigs began two months ago, when Romeo Dean contacted Devonport Community Coordinator Maria Teape, to help secure a music venue.

After attending various house parties and public gatherings among teens at 'the cove' (at the base of North Head) Romeo realised that teens do not have a safe and entertaining place to socialise and hang out at the weekends. These parties and hang-outs often lead to the excessive consumption of alcohol.

Romeo was invited by Teape to present his idea to the Devonport Youth Forum, and together they developed it further. Francesca Parussini spoke about it to Christopher Jones, who manages several young bands in Auckland and has been an active promoter of youth rock gigs since 2015. Jones attended the next Devonport Youth Forum, and the gigs idea germinated into a reality.

Any up-and-coming youth bands who would like to get involved should contact Christopher Jones: 027 612 8751.

## North Shore United still on target for promotion goal

North Shore United Football Club stay at third in the table after a 3-2 victory on Saturday against Oratia.

Sam St de Croix, Mac Ford and Sean Latimer all scored to keep North Shore's promotion hopes alive.

This Saturday, Shore plays Tauranga at Allen Hill Stadium. Kick-off is at 3pm. This is followed by another home fixture on 21 July against Ellerslie.

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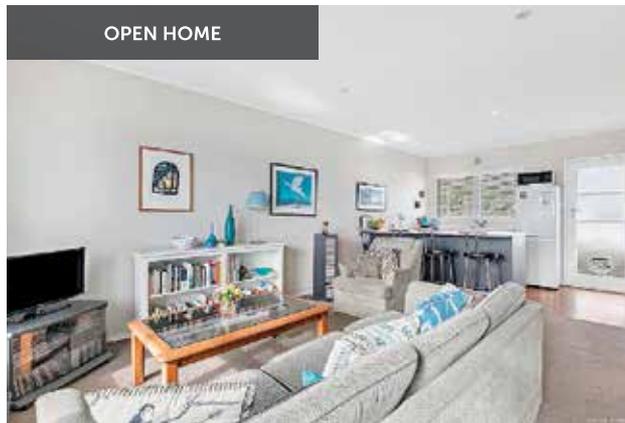
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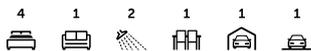
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The school holidays have begun and this is an opportunity to enjoy quality fun time together as a family, visiting friends and family. If you are planning a holiday away from home, ask your neighbours to keep a watchful eye on your property. Ensure your home, garden shed and garage are securely locked and valuables are out of sight. A house-sitter is a great option to give someone a chance to enjoy staying on the peninsula while looking after your property.

Police have received a number of vehicle-crime reports spread across the peninsula. The majority of reports have involved offenders searching the vehicles looking for cash and credit cards.

Always ensure you lock your vehicle and do not leave any valuables inside. Install a vehicle alarm and, if possible, park your vehicle in a locked garage, or a yard or area that is well lit and, if possible, covered by CCTV.

Four vehicles have been reported stolen since

1 June. All have been recovered and Police are following up on a number of enquiries in relation to these incidents, along with other vehicle crime. Steering locks and immobilisers are the best deterrents from having your vehicle stolen.

We have received a few reports of thefts of bicycles. One of these bicycles has been recovered and returned to the owner. Please keep your bicycles locked safely away out of sight from the road. A D-lock is the only safe way of securing your bicycle from theft if it is to be stored outside or in a public place.

If you are travelling on the roads this school holiday break, be alert about road safety. Take a little time to make sure that your vehicle is safe before starting your journey. Be courteous of other motorists who may be driving on unfamiliar roads. Plan to travel to avoid the worst peak-traffic periods and congestion. Allow plenty of time, take rest breaks and make the journey part of the holiday. Keep safe.

**Board to investigate  
Ngatarunga Bay silting**

Further investigation into the silting of Ngatarunga Bay from slips at Polly's Park has been requested by the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board after a presentation by architect Graham Pitts.

Endangered birds' feeding areas are under threat from the silting and more work is needed on containment of water run-off from the Ryman development, Pitts told the board at its public forum last week.

**Electric-vehicle  
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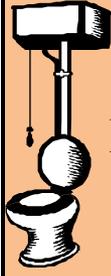
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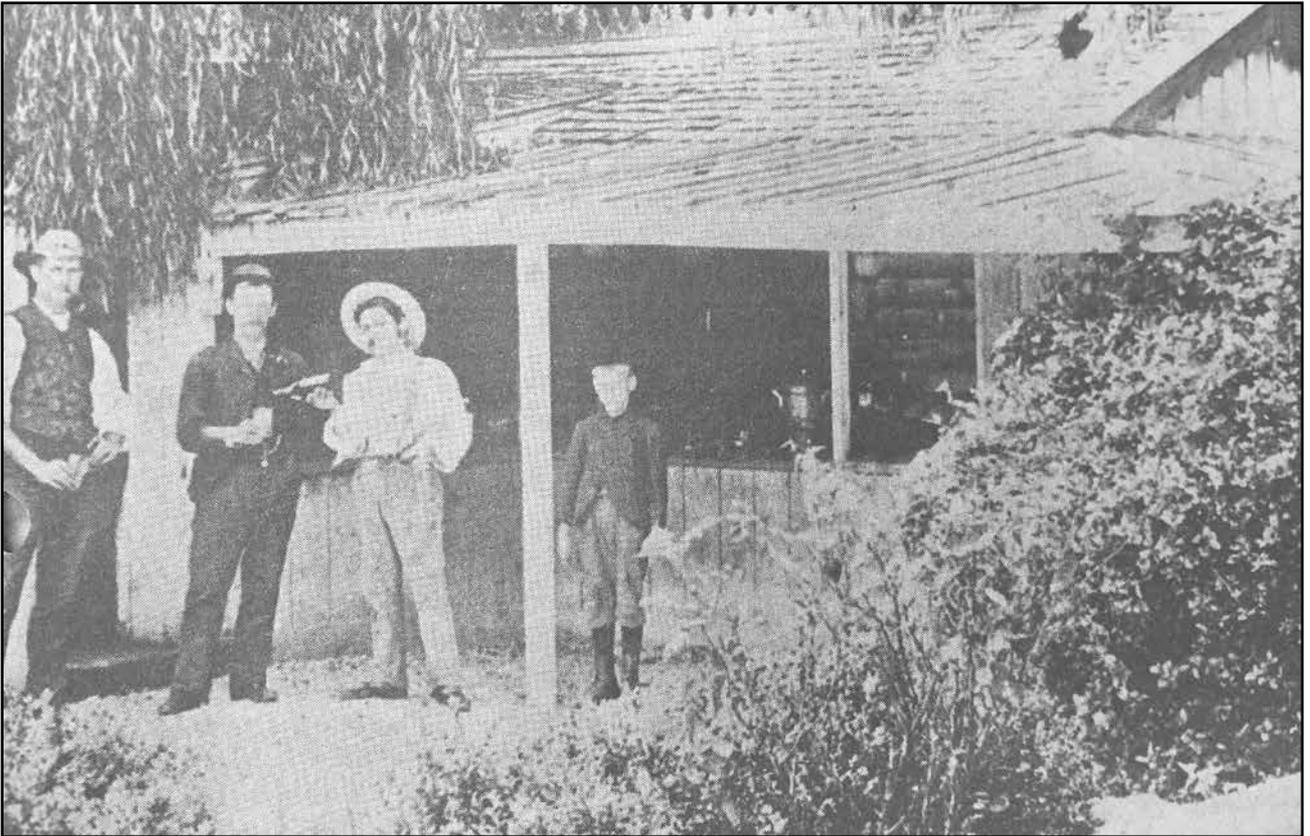
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# Twenty years ago: a selection from the Flagstaff files

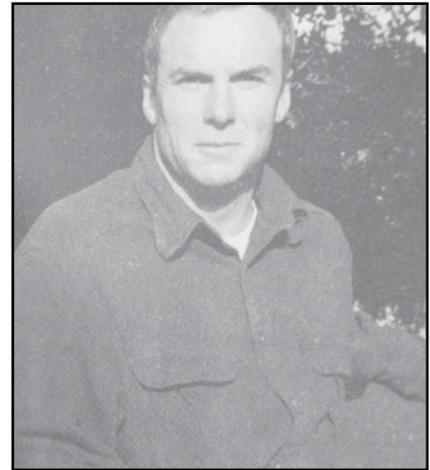
- The fight to save the historic Masonic Hotel begins. The hotel, originally built in 1866, was delisted as a class-A heritage building by North Shore City Council after its status was reviewed by owners Peter and Gail Thwaites.

Devonport Heritage lodged an appeal in the Environment Court. The council agreed with an architects and engineers submission that the three buildings on the Masonic site were substantially altered and in bad repair.

Evidence also presented to the council highlighted reducing returns from bar sales, high maintenance costs and a "more appropriate use" of residential dwellings as reasons the building should go.

- In another heritage issue, developer Xeno Captain – who wants to demolish 'Old Joe's house' in Church St – has lodged an Environment Court appeal against a North Shore City Council decision saying the house should stay.
- Membership of the Tamaki Reserve Protection Trust has topped 1000. The trust was set up late in 1997 with the aim of retaining the HMZNS Tamaki land at

- Narrow Neck in public ownership.
- John Woollacott, the first New Zealand skipper to win an international sailing race, was farewelled at a funeral at Devonport Yacht Club. He was 78. In 1952, Woollacott took line honours in the trans-Tasman Hobart to Auckland race in the ketch *Ladybird*, which he designed and built with his father in a shed opposite Devonport Yacht Club. He was a life member of the club, and continued designing yachts with his father and then on his own.
- Editor Rob Drent criticises an Auckland Regional Growth 50-year strategy document for too much emphasis on road spending. "The time to expand the public transport network has come," he says.
- Netball courts are planned at the Navy sports fields in Ngataranga Bay.
- A three-bedroom cottage on Aramoana Ave is for sale for \$295,000.
- Five burglaries have occurred south of the golf course, as well as two stolen cars and numerous car break-ins.
- The Navy's oldest frigate, HMNZS Waikato, was formally decommissioned at Devonport Naval Base.



**New North Shore City chief executive Rob Hutchison**

- The Flagstaff interview subject is Stanley Bay's Rob Hutchison, the new chief executive of North Shore City Council. He identifies growth, and the need to provide adequate roading, sewerage and stormwater infrastructure, as the key issues facing the North Shore.

## THE NAVY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

### Navy Band popular in Devonport

The Navy Band's free lunchtime concert was a hit with its audience when it filled the auditorium at the RNZ Navy Museum in Torpedo Bay recently.

The Band's four chamber music groups, and solo flautist Priscilla Scanlan, had an enthusiastic reception from the capacity audience.

Music played included *Arrival of the Queen of Sheba* from the Clarinet Quartet, a selection from *West Side Story* by the Saxophone Quartet, *Scrumpy Giles* from the Wind Quartet and *Singing in the Rain* by the Brass Quartet.

In late July, the full Navy Band will perform with the visiting Swiss Army Band, at the Bruce Mason Centre in Takapuna (on Saturday 28 July, 2.30pm to 4pm, free entry).

This will be the first time the

Swiss Army Band has visited New Zealand, and its band members will play a combined ensemble with the RNZ Navy Band.

The RNZ Navy Band set will include a march *Purple Pageant*, a second line *Danza*, a vocalist singing *Welcome Home*, a saxophone solo by Mark Hobson playing *Oblivion*, and the full band playing *Children of Sanchez*.

Each band will play for about 45 minutes, finishing with a combined set playing *Hine Hine*.

There are two more free lunchtime concerts scheduled by the Navy Band at the Navy Museum in Devonport this year. These are on Wednesday 5 September and Wednesday 10 October, starting at 12 noon each time.

Two other concerts in Auckland



**The Dixie Band from the Royal NZ Navy Band**

this year include *Morning Melodies* at 11am on Monday 10 September at the Bruce Mason Centre in Takapuna,

and a *Remember Concert* at the Holy Trinity Cathedral in Parnell at 7pm on Thursday 15 November.

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# Time for a change?



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Four years and eight months later, Jeff has sold over \$73 million of property on the island. His income is in excess of what he earned at Vodafone, his lifestyle has improved and he takes more holidays.

He transferred the skills set he had refined in his sales and marketing role to sell real estate. And, having a proven track record in the corporate world, he was confident knowing that if he was doing a job he loves, he would do well.

Jeff's happier in his work, enjoying the independence and flexibility selling real estate allows but also appreciating the in-house support the Ray White team provides. Every day is different which he says makes a welcome change to the "ground hog days of back-to-back meetings discussing the same old subjects in the city". And his family life just gets better every day.

"I am making more money and I also have more flexibility to enhance my family life. My wife Sarah says I'm more relaxed and I do more activities with our kids Joshua and Yasmin than I was before.

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I am using the same skills as I did in the corporate world but now I have the flexibility to design my own way. It's more about getting back in control of my destiny and my career path. We still have a high level of professionalism and values but we have more fun. And when you are socializing, you are actually growing your network at the same time. The person you talk to at the cafe may well become your next client."



*I have enjoyed watching Jeff's skills and confidence grow.*

Matthew Smith, principal of Ray White Waiheke & Devonport

## What are the benefits of a real estate career?

“Aside from the obvious financial aspects, the benefits for me revolve around flexibility and empowerment. I now have the flexibility to spend more time with my family, to do the school run, to go to the beach for an hour, to take leave when I feel like it. I no longer live my life to someone’s timetable which, to me, is priceless. I also have a sense of control over my destiny.”

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# Nature to the fore at Narrow Neck play event



Several hundred families met at Fort Takapuna on 24 June for the first of four free nature-play events.

Participants enjoyed tide pool exploration with marine biologist Laura McLeod, weaving flax poi toa with fibre artist Ruth Woodbury, play dough with Narrow Neck Playcentre, collage with Takarunga Playcentre, preschool nature sessions with Play and Learn, and bush-skills sessions with Conscious Kids.

The next event will be held on 16 November. Full details at [www.consciouskids.co.nz](http://www.consciouskids.co.nz)



## Toy Library a great way to avoid buying excess goods

The Devonport Toy Library is an affordable and social way for kids to enjoy play – it’s also one of the greenest options around.

Children’s toys have a hugely negative impact on the environment – being overproduced and enjoying short life spans before ending up in a landfill (or worse), says Toy Library President Tara Benedict.

“It’s interesting that in this time of heightened awareness about the misuse of resources, membership in the Toy Library is actually at an all-time low,” Benedict says.

Only 30 families are currently using the library.

The Toy Library has been operating for a couple of decades. Over the past 11 years’ membership has ranged from 75 to more than 100. At its peak in the early 2000s, there was a year-long waiting list, says Benedict.

“Being part of the Toy Library is much more affordable than buying toys new – and it’s far more sustainable. Each item enjoys years of use, rather than just a few months at best.”

“There’s a huge range of all sorts of toys. The kiddos have a fabulous time selecting which ones to borrow, and parents get to meet one another and build a community. Its win-win,” she says.

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## Growing the bigger picture



**Encouraging ecology through art... Celia Walker prepares the exhibition at the Depot**

The idea to give away native trees to local residents has grown into an art exhibition for Devonport Peninsula Pest-Free Coordinator Celia Walker.

*Forest has the Blues* is an ecological exhibition featuring a floor-to-ceiling print installation of hundreds of native species and invasive weeds.

“We are creating a growing forest” says Walker, who has put the project together along with six other artists, including Toni

Hartill and Esther Hansen. Hansen is a teacher at Pakuranga College and has invited a dozen students to include their own work in the installation.

The project Restoring Takarunga/Hauraki has purchased more than 200 plants to be given away to peninsula residents during the exhibition.

“We have chosen trees and shrubs that will attract local birds. We want to teach people the importance of keeping trees as

opposed to cutting them down,” says Walker.

“A lot of locals think that they only have one small bit of backyard, but don’t realise that it all contributes to the bigger picture.”

A free printmaking session with the artists will be held on 22 July at 1-2.30pm.

“It’s a really great opportunity for those interested to come along and see a range of different techniques” says Hartill.

• *Forest has the Blues* is at the Depot Artspace from 14 July to 25 July.

## Whenua explores our spiritual connection to the land

The Depot Artspace hopes its Matariki exhibition *Whenua* will help locals foster a new relationship with Mother Nature.

*Whenua* is the brainchild of Depot Creative Director Linda Blincko and its Maori liaison officer, Jermaine Reihana, and explores our connection with land through a series of works by local artists.

“Curating this exhibition gave me the opportunity to really reflect on my relationship to the whenua” says Reihana, who is actively involved with the Tupuna Maunga Authority. “We’re not just paying lip service, we are actively engaging with the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi.”

The exhibition will feature work from artists who have made an active contribution to our environment, such as Richard Joughin, Celia Walker and Joanne Barrett. Each of the featured

works will explore the artist’s connection to our whenua/land, a relationship Reihana believes is crucial to our community.

“We’re only here for a snapshot in this earth’s history, yet our effect on it is huge in that short time we’re here” he says.

Reihana will have one of his own pieces in the *Whenua* exhibition, exploring his spiritual connection with the land. “I wanted to try and understand when my relationship first started with whenua,” says Reihana, who spent his childhood living and being schooled on a marae. “My role in engaging in this community is that I have to continue perpetuating this connection. I think the Devonport community has a lot to offer around this conversation.”

• *Whenua* is at the Depot Artspace from 14 July to 25 July.



**Whenua... Jermaine Reihana with an artwork by Richard Joughin**

## Boating club puts a dent in the sea of disposable cups

Two hundred reusable cups have been donated to a local cafe by Wakatere Boating Club members to cut down on disposable cups.

Club members Delayne and Greg Salthouse came up with the idea after seeing how many disposable cups were being used by their family and other club members.

Delayne says: "We were drinking a lot of coffee in the morning, and it didn't feel right going through so many cups. And that was just our family. Our club as a whole was probably contributing to a lot of landfill."

The Narrow Neck Beach Cafe agreed to store the cups on their shelves, so when members came to get their morning coffee the reusable cups would be available to them.

Delayne says the cafe has been very enthusiastic about the idea. And the cups themselves "have been surprisingly well received."

The idea developed after Greg bought Delayne a reusable cup for her birthday. "These are so easy and simple, I thought, we should be using them," she says.

Delayne sourced the New Zealand-made, reusable cups and decided that donating them to the club was the best way to encourage members to actually use them.

The Salthouses' next goal is to find an eco-friendly solution for the wax cup used for hot chips – also a popular item at the Narrow Neck Beach Cafe.



Navigating a greener path... Wakatere Boating Club members Ian and Thomas Darby

### Devonport Flagstaff team goes disposable-free too

Newspapers have traditionally been fuelled by coffee and cigarettes. Now it's just coffee at the Flagstaff, and we get through quite a few a day.

But as of a couple of weeks ago, the coffees have been from KeepCups. We've found them great to drink out of and easy to clean.

### TGS recycling grant

Takapuna Grammar has received a grant to introduce a two-colour rubbish-bin system to increase recycling at the school.

The school received \$640 from Auckland Council's waste-minimisation fund to implement the system.

It was the only application from the Devonport peninsula to be successful in gaining a waste-minimisation grant in the current funding round.



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# Bayswater School environment initiatives barrel along



**Kids and parents both learning... Baywater School pupils with the new water tanks**

Bayswater School’s new water-collection system could save 400 litres of water in as little as two days.

The school’s enviro group, led by teacher Dianne Cluett, secured funding from the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board for the project, which was set up by the Sustainable Schools programme.

The Bayswater primary school group – consisting of junior, middle and senior school students – spent four lessons learning about the urban water cycle, pollution and

filtration.

“We had marine and environmental scientists come in, and the kids did experiments. Having experts in was amazing. It really helped get the kids excited about it,” says Cluett.

Students and parents gathered at the school last month for a ceremony and a karakia to bless the water-collection system.

It works by routing rainwater from one of the school’s roofs into two 200-litre barrels. The collected water will eventually be used

by the enviro group to irrigate a new orchard at the school.

The kids are very excited about the whole project, says Cluett, who has been teaching at Bayswater School for 22 years.

The children aren’t the only ones learning about water sustainability; parents have also become far more conscious of water conservation. Local board member Mike Cohen said: “If you can get kids to embrace and be enthusiastic about it, that’s the way to educate parents. It’s reverse education.”



**ZERO WASTE DEVONPORT**

Andrew Walters, Director  
Devonport Community  
Recycling Centre

## It’s plastic-free July!

What a great time to focus on waste minimisation and discuss waste issues on the Devonport Peninsula. I wanted to share my observations and thoughts of what trying to live my life without plastic for just one month would look like. On a daily level, it seems I can’t do without it: I use it, my kids use it, even my two dogs have a use for it...

I started my plastic-free journey with a shopping expedition. Proudly displaying my reusable heavy-duty canvas bags and my shopping trolley, I hit the supermarket. The veggie section went without a hitch, I used six paper mushroom bags for all vegetables, breaking the “mushroom-bag rule” like an urban plastic-free guerrilla.

My tribulation at how easy this was going to be faded, in the next aisle. Realising if I went cold turkey from plastic, my family and pets may well starve to death before

I found plastic-free alternatives. Ridding my lifestyle of plastic is not going to be easy!

A change by government, local council, the packaging industry, retailers and consumers is needed. As consumers, we can play a part by demanding plastic-free alternatives and new routes for real recycling.

Leo Baekeland invented plastic in 1907. It’s taken a mere 111 years to infest our lives, our oceans and even our bodies. Ole Christiansen invented Lego in 1947. There’s now more plastic Lego people on the planet than real people – that’s crazy. Plastic lasts forever, and we have not got forever to wait.

The plastic problem needs our attention now. Start small: Look at your bags and what you buy and seek alternatives. I’ve got my reusable bags, but now what do I use when I go walking with my dogs?

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## Simon & seniors

**National Party leader Simon Bridges is visiting the Shore soon and I'm inviting you to come and meet him over a cuppa.**

Simon was born and bred in Te Atatu. He's studied law at Auckland University and Oxford University before moving to Tauranga in 2001, where he became a senior Crown Prosecutor, working on jury trials in the District and High Courts. In 2008 Simon was elected as the MP for Tauranga, beating Winston Peters for the seat.

Simon has spent the last 10 years in politics with Ministerial roles focused on economic development, transport, and communications, so he knows the importance of a strong economy.

He is passionate about New Zealand and has an energetic and united team around him who all back New Zealanders to succeed.

Simon is also committed to being a new form of Opposition, fighting hard against the Government's bad ideas, but supporting the good stuff when it comes along. His recent leadership in calling for a bipartisan approach to establishing an independent Climate Change Commission is evidence of this new approach.

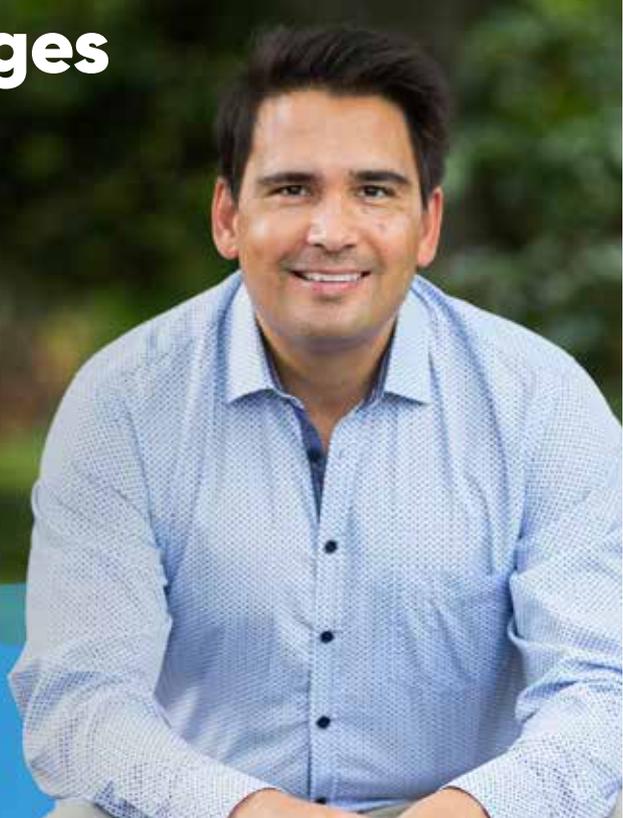
As a proud dad to three young children, Simon is keen to listen to New Zealanders about what matters to them. I hope you can join Simon and me when he visits the Shore.

# Meet Simon Bridges

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## Smile, you're on camera – 43 of them

Auckland Transport has 43 security cameras at Devonport Wharf, Flagstaff queries can reveal.

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board member Mike Cohen was surprised when told about the number of cameras.

And he was astounded that thieves could still steal bikes from the wharf, given the

number of cameras.

“It amazes me that they can not eliminate all the thefts of bikes down at the wharf.”

Given the number, Cohen thought the cameras were either poorly placed, or of poor quality.

With the standard of CCTV technology available today, thieves should be clearly

identifiable from the camera footage, Cohen said.

People should be able to park their bikes at the ferry building without any threat of theft, he said.

An Auckland Transport spokesman said he was not aware of any more cameras being installed at the wharf.

## DoC bill for North Head revised down to \$409,000

The administration of Maungauika/North Head was transferred to the Tupuna Maunga Authority last week.

The Department of Conservation (DoC) has agreed to pay a “revised figure” of \$409,500 in deferred asset-maintenance costs as part of the transfer, a report to Auckland Council’s governing body says.

DoC has also agreed to a further two years of management to the value of \$120,000 a year of maintenance costs and 1500 hours of staff time as part of the deal.

DOC will also be responsible for improvements on the buildings it occupies.

The figure is significantly less than the \$800,000 council officers relayed to the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board at its last meeting.

“The revised offer is supported by the General Manager, Parks, Sport and Recreation. The arrangement significantly meets the potential funding gap identified by council staff.”

“Although the council could decline to take up routine management, and seek to negotiate further with DoC, this is not recommended,” the report said.

DoC has indicated the revised proposal is as good as the department is able to offer.

“Delaying or declining a transfer of administration poses a potential reputational and relationship risk to Auckland Council with mana whenua,” the report said.

Under the Tamaki Makaurau Collective Redress Act 2014, 14 volcanic cones (including Maungauika/North Head) were to be vested in the Tupuna Taonga oTamaki Makaurau Trust.

In 2014, a visual and structural assessment of assets on Maungauika was commissioned, and carried out, by council staff. The resulting report recommended that DoC either provide a one-off financial grant of \$1,100,000 to meet a potential funding gap or otherwise remedy deferred maintenance and other asset improvements (this was later reassessed down to \$908,500).

It’s clear from the reports that this year Auckland Council wanted to get the matter resolved.

The Tupuna Maunga Authority membership comprises a mixture of mana whenua and Auckland Council representatives.

## Ride-share service kicks off in October

The Devonport electric-car ride-share service is expected to start in mid-October for a 12-month trial.

Auckland Transport (AT) is currently seeking funding from the New Zealand Transport Agency, and the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority, a spokesman said.

One reason for the mid-October start date is the timing of the new bus network roll-out, which will be completed for the North Shore by 30 September.

A request for quotes for the vehicles to be used has been issued.

The ride-sharing service is to be called AT Metro.

More details of the trial have also emerged:

- Customers will be able to book a ride-share trip to or from anywhere south of Esmonde Rd. Priority will be given for trips to/from Devonport ferry terminal.
- Price: \$2.50-\$3.00 for trips to/from Devonport ferry terminal; \$4.50-\$5.00 for other trips.
- Customers can choose to be picked up at the door, or at a point that is convenient for them.
- Payment: Customers will pay for individual trips directly through the app, using their credit or debit card. AT does not store any credit card information.

## TGS student raises \$1500 for Syrian refugees

Money to pay for a year’s worth of food and education for Syrian refugees has been raised by local student, Brandon Rhodes (17).

The Takapuna Grammar student signed up for the Oxfam Ration Challenge, a fundraiser in which participants have to live for a week on the same food as a Syrian refugee living in a camp in Jordan.

Brandon aimed to make \$500, but was blown away by the support he received from the community and has raised over \$1500. He lost seven kilos as well.

“The support I have received so far has been beyond belief. I am so overwhelmed by my community getting behind me in this case and fundraising for a great cause” he says.

Small portions of lentils, chick peas and tinned sardines were the sorts of food Brandon ate for his two meals a day. It was a real challenge, especially while still having to

attend school, he says. But this didn’t shake Brandon’s determination.

“At first I was feeling nervous starting this rationing, but it was great and I completed the challenge. It feels so great and what an honour to be fundraising for a great cause.”

Brandon says more people should become involved in future ration challenges. “If I alone can raise over \$1500, imagine what we could raise as a community,” he says. “This has been a humbling experience for me. Taking part in this challenge has given me the opportunity to show these refugees we are with them and not against them.”

**Food Challenge a humbling experience... Brandon Rhodes**



# Renamed arts space reflects its connection to maunga



**Moving with the times and honouring the past... guests gather for name change**

## Long-time Depot Artspace coordinator Linda Blinkco reflects on the morning the Kerr St Artspace became Whare Toi (house of art)

It's 6am, and the maunga wears its fading korowai of night. Stars still shine, and the moon is at half mast. Below us the baubled city stands to attention.

We are gathered in the arms of Takarunga – mana whenua, manuhiri, kaitiaki and community, those for whom the maunga is home, guide, companion and seer – to bless Kerr St Artspace with a new name, Whare Toi. The name signifies our relationship with Tupuna Maunga Authority and honours our attachment to Takarunga.

Among us are Roger Giles of the Bunker; Jan McEwen and Tania Stewart of Michael King Writers' Centre; David Wright, Director of the Navy Museum; Council and local board representatives, Chris Darby, Richard Hills and Mike Cohen; Tupuna Maunga members Paul Puru, Dominic Wilson and Nick Turoa; and Depot Artspace whanau, represented by Jermaine Reihana, who speaks to the kaupapa

of the Depot that brought us to Takarunga more than 15 years ago.

Whare Toi is blessed by kaumatua Jim Rauwhero and kaikaranga caller Dolly Tai Rakena, both gifted by ancestry tupuna with the whakapapa of the maunga. Each of us follows them through the building, touching its wooden bones, acknowledging its presence on Takarunga for seven decades or more, and its constant service to this community – as a post-war transit house for those waiting to be rehomed; as one of Auckland's early community houses; as a youth employment centre; and now as an arts hub offering arts classes and a professional development programme for creatives.

As the sun rises, we share kai and some good conversation with our community of friends, old and new. And with hearts warmed and bellies content, we take our leave from Whare Toi.



**New era... Linda Blinkco with the Depot's Maori liaison officer Jermaine Reihana**



**Blessing...Whare Toi, the renamed Kerr St Artspace, is blessed by kaumatua Jim Rauwhero (left) alongside Jermaine Reihana**

# Takapuna

SCHOOL NEWS



# Grammar

JULY 13, 2018

## Reviving our winter spirits



PHOTO CREDIT: FINLAY CRYNS

Dancers filled the stage at the Bruce Mason Theatre in mid-June for *The Revival*, a spectacular showcase of TGS talent. Enthusiasm and energy radiated, as a packed audience watched the 170 students perform.

After a break, the dance show was back in action, led by Year 13 students, who choreographed many of the dances. Senior student Abi McDonald reflects: "Nothing gives me more joy and sense of worth than being on a stage. Dance is a therapeutic art form that can benefit anyone, and Dance Evening was a perfect opportunity to give every student the chance to perform. With 40 acts, this year's Dance Evening was the biggest and best yet."

The two dance companies, Cactus and Tempus, as well as 10 other co-curricular dance and dance curriculum classes took part, ranging in age from the newly formed Year 9 dance extension, to senior dance and musical-theatre classes.

Ella Mishan, a member of Cactus, says: "Dance

Evening was so much fun. Being able to do what I love on stage, in front of lots of people, with all my friends, is an experience I am so thankful to have been a part of."

The 11 different dance groups brought heaps of variety, showcasing ballet, tap, hip-hop, jazz and contemporary. Cactus, the school's top dance company, performed multiple dances and had guest choreographers to teach them different styles.

Mrs Cryns, Head of Dance, was proud to watch her students perform such a brilliant show, and happy it gave everyone the chance to enjoy the world of dance. "Any student who wanted to perform was able to, thanks to the supportive and caring environment created by our student leaders", she says.

Mrs Cryns also has big plans for next year. "Our senior dance students have been great role models and already we have junior students lining up to step into the leadership roles in co-curricular groups."

BY JESSICA HAMLIN



## Choir camp

It may well be that having a dedicated choir camp was what gave the choirs an edge at The Big Sing, as reported in The Flagstaff last issue.

'Choir Camp' has become an annual tradition and this year more than 90 students from Chorale, Leonessa, the Sultans of Sing and the Taka Crooners attended workshops over a weekend.

An ever-diminishing supply of tea stood by in the main hall to cure lost voices, as each choir worked meticulously on three pieces that had been learned in preceding rehearsals. These songs were the ones to be presented in concert at The Big Sing, and the camp was an opportunity for the singers to take advantage of intensive practice in preparation for the Auckland-wide competition.

The camp is a highlight of the school year for many students. One member of Leonessa described hearing the sound of the group change and improve over such a short period of time as an "amazing experience."

However, choir camp is also a social opportunity, which allows for members of ensembles that thrive on trust, to extend interpersonal ties, and she enjoyed "getting to know everyone that [she] didn't already know from previous years."

The weekend finished, of course, with a concert that brought together every choir for the entertainment of the singers themselves. Each group performed its full repertoire as it would in competition. The event also assisted in dispelling nervousness for the Big Sing, as the ensembles were enthusiastically applauded by an audience made up of supportive peers.

BY ELLA SCHENKEL

# Takapuna

SCHOOL NEWS



# Grammar

JULY 13, 2018

## Cultivating student leadership



An initiative to develop leadership potential in our students is being driven by Mr Steve Smith. An opportunity to listen to William Pike was taken up by nearly 200 students, who have been identified as those already beginning to demonstrate leadership attributes.

Pike spoke of courage, exploration, resilience and achieving personal excellence, to a totally quiet and focused audience. His talk was riveting and everyone gained from hearing his story; one that reflects a growth mindset and sheer determination.



## from the Lion's Den

### THE LATEST IN SPORT



**ON THE COURTS:** The Senior A netball team has been promoted to Premier grade. TGS1 earned the right to contest a Premiers spot after topping Netball North Harbour's Open A grade, going undefeated in the seven games of round one.

**ON THE PITCH:** Congratulations to Milo Brown and Arabella Maynard for their inclusion in the New Zealand Football U17 National Team ID Camps.

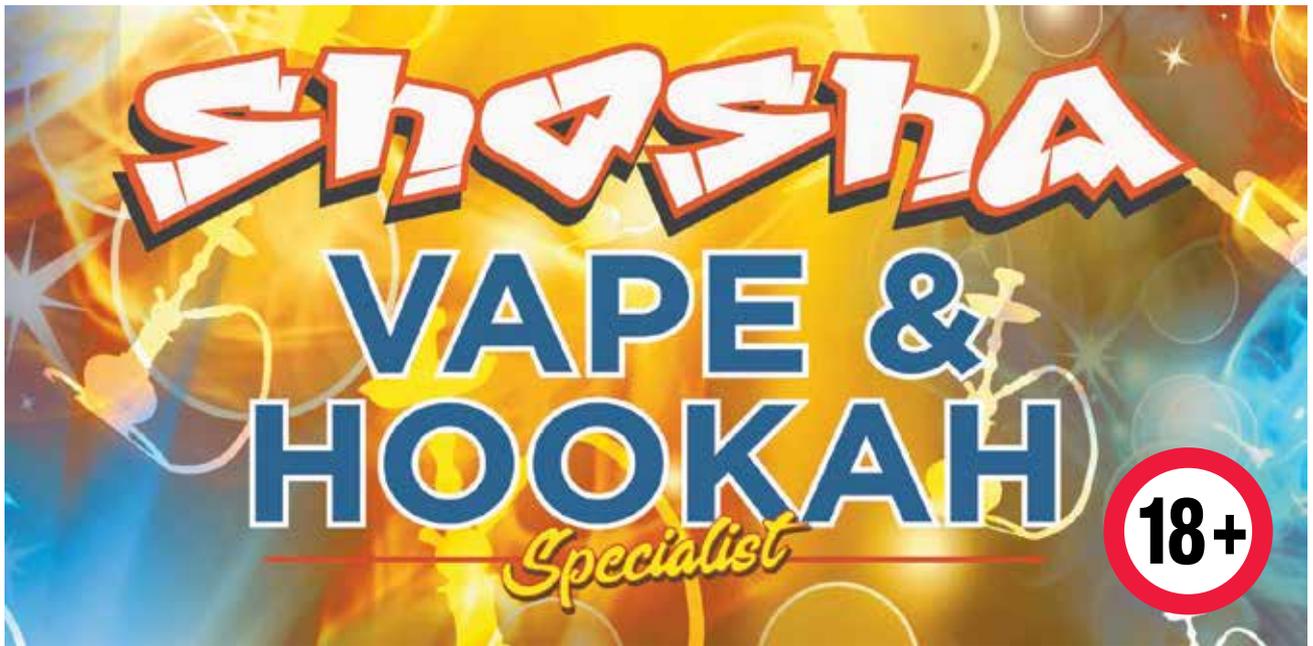
**ON THE FIELD:** Rugby players Caleb Leef, Oscar Koller, Jackson Rice and Lockie McNair have been named in the Blues U18 Development Camp, and Jay Natapu is named in the Blues U17 development team. Also, the 1st XV are still currently leading the NH competition.

**ON THE WORLD STAGE:** Pole-vaulter Imogen Ayris was fourth at the Mannheim Junior Gala (Germany) on 23 June against a very strong international field. She is now in Wales at the HP centre in Cardiff preparing for the world championships.

**ON THE TRAMPOLINE:** Harrison Smith won the Auckland Secondary Schools Men's Junior Elite Trampoline Champs.

**ON THE ROAD:** Patrick Calver was fifth overall in Auckland Schools Duathlon.

**IN THE GYM:** At the Ultimate Frisbee Auckland Indoor Champs, the Girls team finished third and Sonja Neef won Female Overall MVP. The Boys team finished 10th.



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# Open-water swimmer David Coleman



**Proud Kiwi...David Coleman after his Straits of Gibraltar swim**

He may be 61, but marathon swimmer David Coleman shows no signs of slowing down.

On 25 April, Coleman became the sixth, and oldest, New Zealand swimmer to cross the Straits of Gibraltar – from Tarifa in Southern Spain to Point Cires in Morocco.

It was his third attempt at the crossing.

Devonport born and bred, Coleman has made two previous visits to Tarifa, but adverse wind conditions prevented him from attempting the crossing both times.

This year, swimming with two others, he completed the 15.1 kilometre swim in 4 hours and 32 minutes, in 15°C water, one of

the coldest recorded crossings.

Coleman has now completed swims from Europe to Asia, and Europe to Africa, and is the only person to have swum the English Channel to France from two Channel Islands. He is also the only Kiwi to swim the 71 kilometres around the island of Jersey.

In March 2019, he will go to Murmansk in Russia for the world ice-swimming championships. Coleman has a strong ice-swimming pedigree: he is the only Kiwi to complete an official 3°C Ice Kilometre as well as being the only Kiwi male who has swum Ice Miles in 3°C water wearing only togs, goggles and a standard swim cap.

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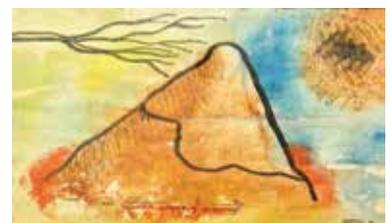
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# Patience is Ngataringa tennis champ 2018

Junior player Patience Davis has taken out the Ngataringa Tennis Club senior women's 2018 singles title, beating defending champion Ero Topp.

It's the first time a junior (under-18) has won a senior singles title in 12 years (since Katie Revie in 2006). However, Patience is already on the senior board: she won the club mixed doubles last year with her partner Jake Thompson, also a junior at the time.

Patience, now 17, was 16 when she scored her singles win.

Ngataringa head coach Lucien Lemay says Patience has a promising future, with the potential to lead a Ngataringa women's team back to Chelsea Cup level. The Chelsea Cup is a North Shore-based elite level tennis competition, attracting top players from around the country.

When she finishes at Takapuna Grammar School (TGS) next year, she wants to apply for a tennis scholarship to a university in the United States.

"Imagine going to Harvard or Berkeley," she says. "Quite a few young New Zealanders have done it already. I have to work hard on my tennis, but I also need to be able to keep up academically."

Although tennis has been Patience's preferred sport since age 5 – cleaning up most of the age-group titles at Ngataringa as she progressed – she is also in TGS's top netball squad. Over summer, she plays number one in the TGS tennis team, which was placed second in the North Harbour secondary schools competition this year.

In January, Patience is hoping to continue as a ball kid at the ASB Classic in Auckland, which she has done for the past five years. She has been on court with the Williams sisters, Caroline Wozniacki and Juan Martin del Potro.

## Ngataringa Tennis Club championships 2018

**Senior champions:** Men's singles: Conor Collier; Mens doubles: Gianni Russo and Marcello Russo; Women's singles: Patience Davis; Women's doubles: Cheryl Aitken and Natalie McKay; Mixed doubles: Lucien Lemay and Raewyn Rumble; Midweek ladies' singles: Maryann Brown; Midweek ladies' doubles: Natalie McKay and Ashley Jolly.

**Junior champions:** 15 & under Girls singles: Mala Krzanic-Sullivan; 15 & under Girls doubles: Mala Krzanic-Sullivan & Mia Travers; 15 & under Boys singles: Eddie Biss; 15 & under Boys doubles: Eddie Biss & Jamie Morrison; 13 & under Girls singles: Mala Krzanic-Sullivan; 13 & under Girls doubles: Antonia Tyson & Mia Tinkler; 13 & under Boys singles: Eddie Biss; 13 & under Boys doubles: Eddie Biss & Jamie Morrison; 11 & under Girls singles: Mala Krzanic-Sullivan; 11 & under Girls doubles: Mala Krzanic-Sullivan & Mia Travers; 11 & under Boys singles: Seb Lewis; 11 & under Boys doubles: Darcy Taylor & George Glass.



**Young blood, old hand... Patience Davis on court at Ngataringa Tennis Club, where she has played for years**





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# Shore books semi-final spot with confident win



**Try time... Maui Hausia scores in the corner for Shore, with support from Daniel Hilton-Jones**

Super-subbs with a 20-year age difference lifted North Shore to a runaway North Harbour championship 35-16 quarter-final win over arch-rivals Takapuna at Vauxhall Rd last Saturday.

The impact of Donald Coleman (20) from the bench at half-time was almost immediate, with stop-them-in-their-tracks tackling, several telling breaks, crucial link work between the backs and the forwards, and a couple of turnovers in the ruck.

No less influential was Willie Walker (40), who offered composure from the back, put in some telling touch-finders and showed he had lost none of his speed with a touchline burst and well-timed pass in the lead-up to wing Maui Hausia's penultimate try.

Walker has not been a Shore regular in 2018, but like evergreen James Hincho, he answered the call to come back and help when the side was

depleted by injury.

The match, in front of a crowd of several hundred, was played with all of the passion of a typical derby between Shore and Takapuna. Takapuna has been the dominant team in the Harbour competition over the last two decades, but was no match for Shore last Saturday.

It was a fine 80-minute effort by Shore: the side was dominating more and more as the game progressed, with its forwards taking it to a tiring Takapuna pack. Just what the doctor ordered for a quarter-final, with a difficult match this weekend against Northcote, which beat Shore 22-21 at the same ground two weeks prior.

The first-half was even, with the sides trading tries. But the pinpoint goal kicking of Jordan McGregor gave Shore the edge 20-13.

Takapuna scored a penalty early in the second-half and at 20-16 the game appeared all on. But Shore then applied the screws, and although there were moments of indiscipline – a no-arms tackle, a late tackle, a crooked line-out throw, an off-the-ball indiscretion – they all occurred so deep within the Takapuna half it made no material difference.

Props Sean George Fusitua (playing in his 24th and Blazer game for Shore) and Jake Antonio-Rooney had strong games, as did Jacob Pierce, who stole a couple of line-outs against the throw.

Jordan McGregor showed good control at first-five, Daniel Hilton-Jones and Ben Stewart were solid in the midfield, while wingers Daniel Lee and Maui Hausia were dangerous in broken-field play.

The Shore side is still building – a good combination of youth and the very experienced. It has the potential to get to the final of the North Harbour Championship, and if that happens it could go all the way.



**Super-subbs...Donald Coleman (above) and Willie Walker (below)**



**Get out of my way... Shore prop Sean George Fusitua puts in a fend**



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