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Thieves hit recycling centre and community gardens

Thieves stole more than \$20,000 worth of tools and equipment from the Devonport recycling centre and community gardens last week.

The award-winning Repair Cafe trailer, which has visited more than 40 venues

around Auckland, was targeted and its recycling kits stolen.

Offenders used bolt cutters to break into a barn next to the recycling centre and the neighbouring community gardens, recycling centre director Andrew Walters said.

Items stolen included industrial sewing machines, a portable appliance tester, a plastic welder, electronics testers and tools for bike repairs. Community garden mowers were also taken.

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Twenties revisited in Takapuna Grammar's big dance show



Takapuna Grammar School dancers showcased their talents in a 20s-themed Dance Evening at the Bruce Mason Centre. Photo: India Worsnop. More photos, pages 40-41.



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Skateboard park gets \$60K band aid

A \$60,000 drainage fix is planned for the Ngataringa Skate Park, even though it only has a 10-year lifespan until replacement.

A new development plan for Ngataringa Park will be drawn up by the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board next year.

In the meantime, a swale to redirect groundwater affecting the park to drains on Lake Rd is being investigated. A boardwalk might also be built.

The \$60,000 budget should be enough for the project as the engineering work is minor and will not involve cutting into the clay cap of the old tip site, Auckland Council officers told a Devonport-Takapuna Local Board workshop last week.

Board advisor Tristan Coulson said the skate park had been “sinking since it went in” and the work was essentially “a band aid” until a new site for the park can be found.

Incumbents line up for election battle

Most of the current local-body politicians serving the Devonport/Takapuna Local Board are standing again in the October elections.

North Shore ward councillors Chris Darby and Richard Hills have also both confirmed they are standing for Auckland Council as independent candidates.

For the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board, member Jan O’Connor is standing as an independent. Board chair George Wood is running under the Team George Wood banner, alongside other sitting board members Jennifer McKenzie and Michael Sheehy. Ian Revell and Gavin Busch are also standing on the ticket.

Question marks hang over local-board members Mike Cohen and Grant Gillon.

It’s believed Gillon might stand for both the board and the council.

He sold the Esplanade Hotel business a year ago, giving him more time for local-body work.

Gillon said he would make an announcement on his plans at the end of June.

Mike Cohen said he doesn’t “see a strong reason to stand”.

Three issues Cohen was keenly involved in – the Takapuna campground, Lyford Bush and the Shore Junction Youth Centre – had all been finalised or progressed to near-completion.

3 Victoria Rd: empty for 354 days

The old Devonport Borough Council Building at 3 Victoria Rd became vacant on 9 July 2018.

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Locals behind new site linking creatives to clients



The struggle to find her own identity in the workforce inspired Devonport local Lily Richards to take on her latest project.

Richards is the relationship engagement and marketing lead for Revolution Creative, a free online platform that connects creatives with employers, with the intention of closing the gap between people’s creative skills and the roles available in the job market.

The brainchild of The Depot Artspace’s creative director Linda Blincko, the project is being funded by the Ministry of Social Development.

Richards has lived in Devonport all her life and has previously worked in publishing and marketing.

“I was told that I was too creative for a corporate agency and too corporate for a creative

agency,” she says. “It’s hard to find your place.”

She hopes that Revolution Creative will help emerging creatives, as many struggle with jobs after they graduate from university. “The creative arts aren’t valued enough,” she says.

Richards is working on engaging small to medium-sized businesses, with the main goal of educating them on the value of employing creatives.

She has herself hired contractors from the website to help with the project. “More job opportunities means creatives working more and getting paid more. This means people will pursue creative careers because there’s money in it,” she says.

“My definition of creativity is that it opens doors not closes them, and there’s no such thing

Opening doors... Lily Richards is helping connect employers with creatives

as too much creativity.”

She hopes that Revolution Creative will make positive changes locally.

“There are so many wonderful things about Devonport but no cohesive thing that pulls us all together. A creative approach to that would be a great one,” she says.

EV chargers spark little interest

Two electric-vehicle (EV) chargers outside, Devonport ferry terminal, which went live earlier this year at a cost to ratepayers of \$43,000, have been used about three times a week since then.

The Auckland Transport (AT) chargers became operational on 29 March and 81 days later had been used a total of 40 times.

The chargers are free to use, in a trial running until April 2020.

They were used 20 times in the first month and have averaged around 10 uses per month since then. “This is probably due to people wanting to try out the new poles soon after install, followed by more steady usage after

that,” AT media manager Mark Hannan says. “We expect to see increased usage in the future as electric vehicles become more popular.”

The chargers are AC “medium chargers”. Thirty minutes’ charging adds 40 kilometres to an electric car’s driving range.

First-time users need to register for an EV charge card from Devon On The Wharf and bring their own ‘type 2’ charger.

Once registered, the card can be used indefinitely. The chargers are available at all times.

The chargers have smart technology that gathers information on how people transition from one form of transport to another, AT told the Flagstaff earlier this year.

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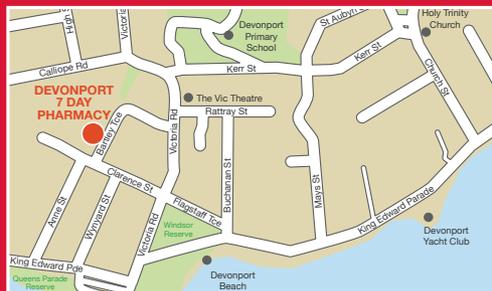
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Comeback kids happy to return to Vauxhall School



Boomerang brigade... Shannon McNaughton, Sue Roberts and Seamus Ford are all back at Vauxhall School

As Vauxhall School prepares to celebrate its centenary next year, three staff members can look back on their journey from being students at the school to having jobs there.

Deputy principal Sue Roberts, teacher Seamus Ford and receptionist Shannon McNaughton all attended the school where they now work as colleagues. "I actually taught Seamus as a new entrant," says Roberts. "My daughter was going here and the school had

asked me to come and do some part-time teaching. Twenty-four years later and here I am."

Ford, aged 24, began working at Vauxhall School earlier this year, after returning on a teaching placement while at university. "I did my first placement here and it was so cool to see the experience of being a teacher mirrored the experience I had being a student here," he says.

McNaughton has worked as the school's receptionist for two and a half years. Her two

sons are current students.

Ford says that he hopes to send his own children to Vauxhall School one day as well.

"If I'm still living in the area when I have kids, then absolutely, no doubt about it that they will go here."

The Vauxhall School centenary will be celebrated in November 2020. If you would like to be involved in the celebrations, email centenary@vauxhall.school.nz

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‘Beautiful’ Matariki festival draws massive crowd

More than 1000 people of all ages welcomed in Matariki at a multicultural festival at Bayswater School, which ran all afternoon and into the night, finishing with a spectacular bonfire.

The primary school’s 15 June Matariki Festival to celebrate the Maori New Year featured light displays, live music and a bar, children’s games, raffles, silent auctions, international food stalls, a silent disco and kapa haka performed by local schools.

The festival started at 3pm and ran into the evening, closing with a haka performance under the stars by members of the Navy.

“It was a beautiful event with a real community feel,” says Bayswater School principal Lindsay Child.

“It was wonderful to welcome whanau from across the peninsula to our school to

celebrate Matariki in real Bayswater style. I am so grateful to everyone who contributed their mahi and aroha and made the event so successful.”

New Year festivities... Clockwise from top: Bayswater School senior students give their all to a kapa haka performance; Belmont Primary students take the stage; Crowds gather for kai; A bonfire finishes the night. Photos: Keeley Watson.



Flagstaff photographer wins national award

The Devonport Flagstaff's Emelia Lake won the best junior photographer title at the New Zealand Community Newspaper awards last weekend in Christchurch.

Judges Iain McGregor and Richard Cosgrove said Lake's portfolio stood out in an extremely competitive class.

Her entry showed "great promise" to go further in the field.

Flagstaff managing editor Rob Drent said Lake consistently produced quality photos from a variety of angles.

"She has a real eye for composition, which is a natural ability, and she has continued to improve over the last year."

The Whakatane Beacon was judged best newspaper at the awards.



**Award-winning photographer...
Emelia Lake**

North Shore United stays top of table

North Shore United premier soccer team remains top of the Northern League with a controversial 2-1 win over Manukau United last weekend.

Shore were down 1-0 at half-time, but were awarded two penalties in the second half. A number of incidents in the second half forced the referee to suspend play in the 96th minute.

Newly promoted North Shore is having a sensational season — in addition to its top-of-the-table placing with 10 games of the season left, it is still in the Chatham Cup.

It plays Onehunga Sports away on either 6 and 7 July in the fourth round of the cup. Its next league match is on 13 July at home against Western Springs.

Soccer club merger proposal

A merger between North Shore United, one of New Zealand's oldest football clubs, and Forrest Hill Milford is under consideration.

Discussions have been taking place since August/September last year.

A communications evening will be held by both clubs on 2 July, and then there will be a special general meeting on 6 August to vote on the proposal.

Financial stability through getting better sponsorships, paying for fulltime staff, improved junior and youth development programmes, and the ability of senior women's and men's teams to play in top divisions are the key reasons for the proposed merger.

The combined playing membership of both clubs is around 2000.

A new name for the combined club has yet to be decided. It would be discussed by the new club board if the merger went ahead.

North Shore United chairman Steve Browning said: "We are cognisant of the history of both clubs, and, just like when Devonport and Belmont clubs joined to become North Shore United, we plan to maintain the history that dates back to 1887."

Takapuna Football Club was involved in the initial discussions but did not proceed.

Browning said it was still hoped Takapuna would be included "at some point."

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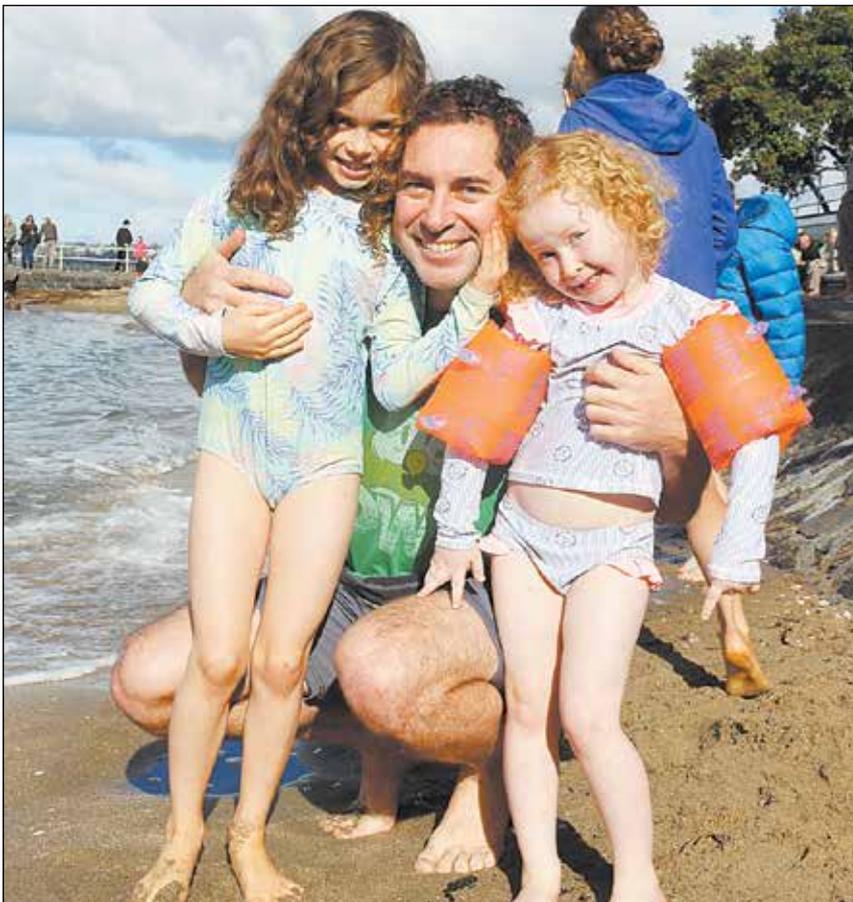
**Racing out... event volunteer
Donna Gustafson, whose children
outlasted her in the water**



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Playing it cool... Anita Stewart (left) and Megan Franklin, while it was a family affair (below) for Freya (left), Ross and Lucy Millen



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More state houses for Lake Rd

Another substantial state-housing development is set to add traffic to Lake Rd. The plans have been revealed soon after news of a 48-home build on the same road.

Housing New Zealand (HNZ) has applied for a resource consent for a 10-unit development at 100 Lake Rd, where each home will have varying numbers of bedrooms.

A driveway will lead to parking at the back of the section.

The application is on hold, as the council

has requested more information.

A decision on notification will be made soon after that information is provided, which is likely to be by the end of June.

HNZ currently has no other plans for developments on the peninsula, a spokesperson says.

The 48-home development, for which a resource consent has also been sought, includes two three-storey apartment blocks at the corner of Lake Rd and Bardia St.

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Community facilities targeted in thefts

Police suspected a professional job, Walters said. High-quality bolt cutters would have been needed and no fingerprints were left. It would have taken three to four people and a large van to move and transport the goods.

The centre is working with its insurance company to replace the equipment, but would suffer losses. The excess on its policy was \$2500, he said.

Walters encouraged anyone who heard about unusual tools being offered for sale to contact the police.

The theft was “devastating” for both the gardens and the recycling centre.

“You have to be pretty desperate to steal from community gardens and a community recycling centre.”

• Professional thieves also targeted North Shore Rugby Club and the Masonic Cricket Club last Friday.

The rugby club gym/changing rooms were broken into and a bicycle, camera, tripod, gym equipment and rugby gear were stolen. Alcohol was taken from the Masonic Cricket Club.

North Shore third

North Shore Rugby premiers are third on the table with one round to play before the championship finals, after a 42-33 win over Marist last week.

Shore plays Silverdale at home on June 29 before the July 6 play-offs.

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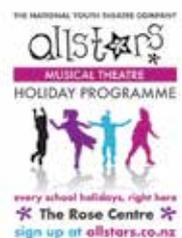
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By Rob Drent

I was as surprised as anyone at the news that a merger has been proposed between one of the oldest football clubs in New Zealand, North Shore United, and Forrest Hill Milford. A number of reasons have been put forward for the merger, but it seems finances are the main driver. More combined members means more money to pay for staff to run the clubs and fund high-performance coaches and structures. A combined club would be able to pay for a general manager.

Little will change for young players, but more money is needed to pay for youth and top coaches. With North Shore pushing for

higher promotion, the ability to attract greater sponsorship support would be increased with a larger player base.

I imagine a lot of the older members of North Shore won't be too happy about the idea, and the neighbours who have strongly opposed the upgrades planned for Allen Hill will be concerned about the potential for more activity at the club. The jury is out on whether the proposal will be backed by a special meeting on 6 August.

While Auckland Transport and local councillors were trumpeting the success of the free-public-transport day last Sunday, spare a thought for Devonport ferry passengers trying to get around the city. While the day may have been a bonanza for Devonport businesses, the Flagstaff has heard of one worker who missed three ferries trying to get to her job. Moreover, was the freebie ferry a bit disingenuous? Any move toward free public transport is only likely to include buses and trains?

From the mistaken-signs department: we were watching from the Flagstaff office window a new sign going up at The Arcade entrance on Wynyard St. We noticed it was

promising a route through to Wynyard St, instead of Victoria Rd. Workers carried on regardless when the mistake was pointed out. It seems the signs for each end were made with the same message. We're having an office sweepstake to see how long it takes before the sign is changed.

A flaw in the AT Local service: with a set number of cars and vans available they can become oversubscribed at peak times. One reader said he had three rides cancelled due to unavailability.

Auckland Transport said last Thursday that in the previous 60 days, there were 24 times across 17 days when a seat was unavailable. During this time, AT Local delivered 6600 rides.

With the new Ryman village taking final shape, am I the only one to think it's not as big in scale as expected? Not the prettiest building in the world though, as most predicted.

Some life in the village over winter: a Matariki progressive dinner, a fashion show at the wharf and a series of Roger Hall plays at the Victoria Theatre. I hope they are all well attended.

THE NAVY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Prime Minister launches new Navy ship

The Prime Minister, Jacinda Ardern, formally commissioned the Royal New Zealand (RNZ) Navy's new diving support, maritime salvage and hydrographic survey vessel HMNZS Manawanui at Devonport Naval Base in June.

The Prime Minister, as the ship's sponsor, inspected the Guard of Honour, addressed the parade and concluded with the words, "I now name this ship Her Majesty's New Zealand Ship Manawanui".

Ms Ardern then released a bottle of wine (sourced from Gisborne) to 'wet the bow' and signal Manawanui's christening into the fleet.

This was the first time in nine years a RNZ Navy ship had been commissioned.

HMNZS Manawanui's home port will be Gisborne, and as well as the commissioning ceremony's special guests (Prime Minister Ardern, her partner Clarke Gayford and their daughter Neve), was the Mayor of Gisborne Mr Meng Foon, and the carver of the ship's symbol of command, Māori artist Dr Derek Lardelli from Gisborne.

The commissioning ceremony took place on Calliope wharf at Devonport Naval Base with more than 200 invited guests, including naval leadership, HMNZS Philomel personnel, the ship's company and the Navy Band.



Prime Minister and Ship Sponsor Jacinda Ardern introduced the new diving support, maritime salvage and hydrographic survey vessel, HMNZS Manawanui, into the Royal New Zealand Navy's fleet.

The Chief of Navy, Rear Admiral David Proctor presented HMNZS Manawanui's Commanding Officer, Lieutenant Commander Andy Mahoney, with the ship's commissioning pennant and warrant along with the symbol of command, an intricately carved ceremonial adze.

"Command is the highlight of any naval officer's career and to be given the chance to

commission a warship and to form and lead a team on that journey is particularly special," said LTCDR Mahoney.

"We will renew and regenerate the diving, hydrographic and salvage skills required to be able to deliver a world-class asset to the people of New Zealand. And we will work hard with our wider Defence Force partners and other government agencies, to bring Manawanui's world-class capabilities to bear – safely, effectively and efficiently."

After he addressed his ship's company and was welcomed by them with a rousing haka, LTCDR Mahoney escorted the Prime Minister and her family on board for a tour of the ship.

Special guests also boarded the ship for a reception that included a ceremonial cake-cutting by ship sponsor, Prime Minister Ardern and the ship's youngest crew member Able Rate Angus Dorahy, followed by presentation of the ship's life-ring, which was accepted by Mr Gayford.

HMNZS Manawanui will now receive a military refit and undertake extensive sea trials before becoming operational early next year.

Devonport Naval Base security reminder – for the safety of the community please take care and remain outside the 60-metre perimeter of the Naval Base at all times. This includes when swimming, diving, kayaking, fishing and sailing.

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Council contractors desecrate graveyard

Council tree-pruning contractors at Mt Victoria cemetery damaged a tomb, knocked over wooden crosses and left a trail of waste in the historic graveyard.

One of a group of residents who look after the cemetery, Gail Lyons, says the contractors have set back their efforts and left volunteers with a big mess to clean up. "It's depressing, this is so awful. I'm so upset," Lyons says.

She says the arborists should have had a surveyed plan, covered headstones and put safety measures in place for people walking through the cemetery.

The cemetery was full of branches for two to three weeks. Even after the contractors returned and mulched them, leaves were left covering graves and killing grass.

The cemetery was littered with twigs and offcuts, and rubbish, such as tape and a machinery part.

At the top of the slope, branches from Dutch elms were left for several weeks and later mulched on-site. The pruned trees are near a stand on the maunga that was removed recently because it had Dutch elm disease.

The council says it is unaware of any damage to headstones and grave surrounds, but that any accidental damage caused by maintenance teams would be repaired by the contractor.

It says lack of a traffic-management plan led to the branches being left on-site for a couple of weeks, as contractors couldn't park on the road near the graveyard.

The remaining elm tree branches were mulched separately as a precaution, the council's head of operational management and maintenance Agnes McCormack says.

"Elm pruning and removal is always treated as if they do have the disease in order to prevent its spread."

McCormack did not respond to questions about whether heritage processes were followed during tree pruning, why large bags of leaves



**Grave concerns at lack of council care...
Gail Lyons at Mt Victoria Cemetery**

have been left on-site for months or leaves left on gravestones.

Lyons has been raising complaints with the council's maintenance contractor, Ventia, and its subcontractor, Landscape Solutions, since late 2017.

Issues have included the use of weed eaters right up to and even on top of gravestones, damaging masonry and sometimes wrecking

flowers left for the deceased.

Recently, a ride-on mower skidded down a slope. Another apparently skidded into a grave. Mowers also destroyed a patch of daffodils.

McCormack denies weed eaters are used on top of graves, but says contractors will edge right up to the graves.

The cemetery has 600 graves dating back to early settlement.

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Damp and derelict: once-listed home not protected

With winter coming and extreme weather events increasing, Devonport Heritage advocates fear a significant Edwardian villa in Cheltenham will be “demolished by neglect”.

The owners of a two-storey house at 28 Cheltenham Rd obtained a consent for an addition and garage in 2012, but, since then, little work has been done.

“It’s not weatherproof, because large parts of the building have been demolished,” Devonport Heritage chair Trish Deans says.

The entire back of the house and part of the front has been removed. “The water will be seeping into the building and essentially destroying it.”

The house was built during 1912 to 1914 and had category A status under the North Shore City Council, with records noting it was built in a villa style, with turn-of-the-century American influence.

It was deleted from the schedule of historic buildings in plan change 38, which Auckland Council says followed up on a North Shore City Council review of heritage listings.

Devonport Heritage views the ‘special character overlay’ in the Unitary Plan as offering less protection.

Devonport Heritage was not concerned the initial application in 2012 was non-notified, as the plans were sympathetic to the historic building. The plans included a simple ground-floor addition and deck at the back of the building, a



Open home... Trish Deans of Devonport Heritage says water will be seeping into the Edwardian villa at 28 Cheltenham Rd

garage for four cars or two cars and a boat, and construction of a chimney.

The resource consent has been varied twice with the most recent granted in May 2013, Auckland Council manager resource consents north Ian Dobson says.

This year, the owners have lodged a new resource consent, which includes both previously consented and new elements, Dobson

says. A decision is due soon.

The owners could not be reached for comment.

The property has a capital value of \$3.2 million, made up of a land value of \$1.55m and improvements of \$1.65m.

Claystore building report

A report on the extent of structural problems faced by the earthquake-prone Claystore building located off Lake Rd is expected to be put to the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board in August.

The report findings would include the costs and work needed to upgrade the historic building, Auckland Council officers told a board workshop.

A initial investigation had revealed the Claystore did not meet earthquake safety standards and more detailed analysis was needed.

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Suspected poisoning of waterfront pohutukawa investigated

Dying pohutukawa near the Devonport ferry wharf are raising concerns about tree poisoning.

One tree on Queens Pde that is showing signs of decline was planted only two years ago. It replaced another two-year-old tree, North Shore ward councillor Chris Darby says.

Darby had noticed a gap in the line of evenly spaced pohutukawa along the Queens Parade waterfront.

Council arborists agreed to fill in the gap by planting two new trees, Darby says.

The council is sending arborists to check whether the tree has been poisoned, the council head of operational management and maintenance Agnes McCormack says.

Arborists did not see evidence of poisoning when the tree's predecessor died, but Darby is unconvinced.

He says three pohutukawa have died in Marine Square, the car parking area in front of the ferry building, with one still to be replaced.

McCormack says there was no evidence of poisoning of the most recent tree to die on Marine Square.

- Meanwhile, several trees are showing signs of decline along King Edward Pde, and one has died on Memorial Drive.

The Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI) has tested the pohutukawa on Memorial Drive and found several fungi or fungal-like organisms.

MPI director of diagnostic and surveil-



Waterfront tree on the wane... a two-year-old pohutukawa shows signs of decline

lance services Veronica Herrera says it was unknown if these organisms alone have caused the dieback symptoms. "Unfavourable environmental conditions – eg, poor soil conditions – may have also contributed to the tree mortality."

Evidence was also found of insects, in-

cluding a type of mite, a click beetle and a fungus moth.

MPI has closed the investigation, as no biological risk was identified.

Pest-free coordinator Lance Cablk welcomed the news that myrtle rust was not found.



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Gull rebuff reflects council bias against motororists

It's not surprising that Auckland Council planners are recommending that the proposed Gull service station at Cheltenham be rejected.

They never want to encourage or make things more convenient for motororists. In this case, they are couching their negative views in planner gobbledygook so we'll have difficulty understanding.

I would have thought the two things Devonport needs are a cut-price fuel outlet and another supermarket. And maybe a real

pub along King Edward Parade!

These are the same planners who allowed a developer to build a three-storey apartment block on the boundary of a seniors' village on Lake Rd, thereby ruining the living conditions of several residents, by depriving them of sunlight and reducing their privacy.

Auckland Council, meanwhile, is allowing the building of more concentrated dwellings along Lake Rd (those that we know about), which will add God knows how many more vehicles on to already-congested Lake Rd.

Many people will remember when Tainui Motors was happily selling fuel products from the subject site on the corner of Vauxhall and Tainui Rds, without any problems. I suspect many people want the Gull station there too.

The naysayers always shout louder, and it suits the planners to throw a spanner into this particular set of works to facilitate their and Auckland Transport's ideological bias against motororists and their vehicles.

Max Dennison

Gull station would cut down on Lake Rd traffic

I read the recent article on the Gull station on Vauxhall Road at the corner of Tainui Rd (Flagstaff, 14 June).

I can't believe the attitude of the planners. And I can't believe not enough people actually wrote to agree with the petrol station being installed there.

There had been a petrol station when I first moved to Devonport, 20 years ago, and there was also one in Wynyard St. I'm pretty sure they had both been there for several years. They both disappeared about the same time and it's been a pain for a lot of locals ever since having to drive to BP in Takapuna.

In all the years they were there, we were never aware of any issues that the planners mentioned. It would be good to know for sure if they could highlight accidents, or specific issues they can actually prove.

I'm sure we would all like to know.

Surely with the amount of traffic on Lake Rd now, stopping any extra traffic heading up to the BP would be a huge advantage.

Most of the Devonport newbies wouldn't be aware there has ever been a petrol station there.

I completely oppose the council planners' decision to oppose the Gull station.

Another poll would be useful here.

I've spoken to several people who definitely want the station back in Vauxhall Rd. What would they rather have? Hideous apartments there?

We only need two pumps.

Do the commissioners think we still ride horses in this character area? Are petrol pumps not in keeping with heritage areas?

Perhaps they should travel around the world a bit.

Please see reason.

Diane Franics

Paintings make a place

I would like to point out how much I think that the residents will enjoy the fact that Ryman Village is happy about hanging paintings in its halls and public rooms. This fact will I think be of real benefit to the residents.

I was especially interested to see a painting that was made of Cheltenham Beach and Mt Victoria in 1870, displayed in the Flagstaff (14 June). Paintings cared for for such a long time would be wonderful to see in the retirement home, reminding us about what it used to be like long ago.

Paintings of various subjects are always good to have around for discussion. Although we all differ on what we like or don't like, it's often useful to discuss the reasons for our thinking.

Anyway, I say good thinking for Ryman to hang subjects on the walls for residents' enjoyment and perusal. I mean real oils or watercolours etc. not just printed copies!

Maureen McMillan



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Recycling centre needs to be make changes to garner local support

The Devonport recycling centre director said in the Flagstaff's last issue (14 June) that "All will be good if people support us", in the context of possibly closing down on June 30.

The Devonport Community Recycling Centre is responsible for our community losing a very nice little garden centre, has majorly inconvenienced the timber business next door by discontinuing drive-through access, and has displaced the landscape-supplies business. Furthermore, their practice of expecting us to pay to dispose of fully reusable items that they then sell in their shop actually discourages some people from recycling. I suggest the Devonport recycling centre reverts to a refuse

transfer station operated by the council, with room for a landscape-supply business as before, and possibly a shop operated by a trusted organisation such as the Salvation Army.

The Devonport recycling centre operators Global Action Plan Oceania (GAPO) – a registered charity, have been given every advantage by a very accommodating Auckland Council. They don't pay tax. They have negatively affected other local businesses and the noise they produce often spoils our peace and quiet when we are outside having a coffee, or in the garden.

They want our support?

Sam Mojel

Time running out for a coastal-park gesture

Sadly, it seems the sands of time are running out for the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to establish a regional coastal marine park in the Auckland region at Devonport/Belmont. The land is currently owned by Ngati Whatua o Orakei, who propose erecting up to 500 high-density townhouses on the site.

Iwi would need to be compensated for the land by a package of part purchase / part Government/ part Auckland Council land swap, and/or transfer of development rights.

The coastal portion could be replanted in native species by a combination of iwi, local schoolchildren and volunteers, like Tiri Matangi, Te Motu a Ihenga (Motuihe), Motutapu and Rotoroa Islands. Except this park would be in our own backyard and would avoid expensive diesel/petrol and road congestion to get there. Ferries to Devonport, Stanley Point and Bayswater and the new Auckland Harbour Bridge pedestrian/cycleway would

provide ideal access points.

Once established, the native vegetation could become an education tool and a home for kiwi, tuatara, gecko, weta and saddlebacks and other endangered species. It could be linked to the adjoining proposed Ngataranga and Shoal Bay wildlife refuges, currently the home of the critically endangered godwits and wrybills and the internationally, geologically important chenier plains formed by the shell banks. It could become an international tourist attraction.

The bulldozers are busy preparing the earthworks for the townhouses, so time is of the essence. In an election year, if they step up to the plate, Messrs Goff, Darby and Hills could leave a lasting legacy for all Aucklanders and New Zealanders to appreciate and enjoy.

Finally, it could become a quiet area for visitors to remember the Christchurch victims.

Bruce Tubb

Rubbish bags thief pure trash

Times are hard in Devonport.

They must be, due to the fact that a person felt the need to steal a not-quite-full rubbish bag from our property. Was their intention to add their rubbish to ours for collection? Or were they being civic-minded, taking it upon themselves to collect the faeces that has been deposited in Devonport's bus shelters?

Or are they just a thief?

Apparently, this taking of rubbish bags has happened to other homeowners over recent times. Obviously you are a sick individual indeed. But if you care to make yourself known, we could set up a Givealittle site to enable you to buy your own rubbish bags.

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MOVIE AFTERNOON AT THE VIC – TOY STORY 4

Sunday 30 June 2:30pm–4:30pm
The Vic, 48 Victoria Rd, Devonport

Adults are invited to a mingle afternoon at the Patriot from 2:00pm–6:00pm while children watch Toy Story 4. **Seats are limited so book early here!** **MOVIE at 3pm sharp. Cost: Kids \$17, Adults \$25 (includes movie and drink, popcorn or ice-cream). All proceeds to benefit Stanley Bay School.**

COMMUNITY HAKA

Sunday 7 July, 11am, **Windsor Reserve, Devonport**
Nau mai haere mai koutou, let's celebrate Matariki with a Community haka! Everybody is welcome and locals in the community will be on-site, ready to support.

The Haka will be followed by refreshments, music and a haka contest for tamariki (with prizes to be won) in Devonport Library.

This event is supported by RNZN Marae, Devonport Library and Devonport-Takapuna Local Board.

DANCE FITNESS – ZUMBA CLASS

Fridays, 9:15am

Holy Trinity Church Hall, 20 Church St, Devonport
Join others to get strong, fit and happy. No previous dance experience required. Try various dance styles; hip hop, salsa, dancehall, all with the aim to enjoy, rather than to perfect them.

Cost: First class free, \$10 casual entry afterwards. Contact Beth Beard for more info.

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Family, naps and netball all part of Toni's busy routine

Having recovered from a serious illness and added to her family, broadcaster Toni Street is back juggling work and parenting – and her latest role as a Belmont Primary netball coach. She talks to Helen Vause.



Family time... Toni Street at home with daughter Juliette and baby son Lachlan

While most of us are still snug in our beds, Toni Street is slipping out of Bayswater and heading across the bridge to the office. Her alarm has gone off at 4.30am, and soon after 5am the broadcaster is preparing to get behind the microphone for a few frenetic hours as co-host of *The Hits* breakfast show.

Back home, baby Lachlan is the next to stir, and dad Matt France will swing into gear to get the girls, Juliette (6) and Mackenzie (4), ready for school and kindy.

The family's nanny arrives at 7.30 to help get dad and the girls out the door and to take

care of Lachlan until Street comes home.

Typically, she is back home from work by late morning and, on as many days as she can manage, she'll fit in an intensive exercise class around lunchtime in Takapuna. Those fitness sessions are one of the keys to maintaining the health and energy to keep it all together with a happy family and full work schedule.

Street looks fit and happy as we chat in her living room, while Juliette helps entertain her active baby brother. It's two and a half years since she went to work in breakfast radio after her stint of co-hosting *Seven Sharp* with Mike

Hosking on TV One. And although all looks rosy now, for Street and her family it has been a very eventful period away from the world of screens and microphones.

The tough times came just six weeks after the birth of her second daughter, Mackenzie, in March 2015. The baby was thriving but Street had been feeling increasingly unwell. Searing stomach pains, awful anxiety and more led to hospital and a bevy of baffled medics.

Weeks later, after many tests, she was diagnosed with the very rare autoimmune disease Churg-Strauss syndrome. This is a condition that leads to organ failure and Street says she's very lucky it was diagnosed before it progressed any further.

Her gallbladder was removed and she started on treatment that would slowly get her back to health – and to work. Street will never fully recover; she's in remission, remaining on a low dose of medication.

"It was a terrible time for us. The girls were tiny, I didn't know what lay ahead for me. Mum and Dad were here with us and somehow we battled through," recalls Street.

"I suppose I'm lucky it can be managed. But it took two or three years to fully get over it."

Part of getting over it for Street, apart from unwavering family and professional support, was being able to return to work alongside

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Hosking at *Seven Sharp*. There'd been weight gain, she felt puffy and often very tired, but being able to slap on the make-up and face the bright lights and buzz of live TV at night was just the boost she needed, she says.

"Sometimes it was tough but I felt very lucky to be able to do it – to go back to the job at a time when the distraction of it took me away from the worry and stress of what I'd been going through at home.

"Everyone was very supportive – workmates and the public. I felt lucky to have all that and it did make a big difference to getting back to health."

By the time Mackenzie had hit the 'terrible twos' and Street was in better shape, the niggling desire for another child was getting stronger. The doctors said her health issues ruled out a safe and successful pregnancy. Shortly after she'd digested that news, an old friend from Taranaki made the offer to carry and give birth to baby number three for Street and France.

Last year, it was probably the nation's most high profile surrogacy-story, so Lachlan has already had a fair bit of media coverage. It was the second time in just a couple of years that Street's personal life – and health – came under the national gaze.

"I was quite worried about how people would react. In fact, there was a very positive response to what we were doing, and to this day I'm getting messages from women about surrogacy. I've been very happy to talk about it and maybe to be part of helping someone else on that journey."

Watching 10-month-old Lachlan exploring the living room, Street says: "I sometimes forget I didn't give birth to him myself. But I can never forget the incredible generosity of the dear friend who had him for us."

The biological son of Street and France, Lachlan is a happy, busy little boy, doted on by all: "He has brought us incredible joy."

Street is mindful of striking the balance of 'having it all' – and making it work. To have the jobs that give her the space and energy for the family life she wants, she is conscious

she needs to keep up her skills as a 'Jill of all trades' in broadcasting. She has to be prepared for any role that will work in with her personal and professional considerations.

Learning the trade was her dream as a kid growing up on a Taranaki dairy farm. In her teens, Street was a rising sporting star in both netball and cricket. She was head girl of New Plymouth Girls' High School and the classic all-rounder.

Street played both cricket and netball at national level, representing Taranaki and

"Everyone was very supportive – workmates and the public. I felt lucky to have all that and it did make a big difference to getting back to health."

Canterbury in netball and Central Districts in cricket. She went down to Lincoln University in Canterbury on a cricket scholarship and graduated with a commerce degree. In her first year, there she met France, who was a rugby player at the time. She married him in 2009.

Sports-mad Street did a postgraduate course in journalism and landed an internship in television. Although she had no intention of confining her career to sports, that's where she started in broadcasting.

It was a move that took her rapidly into the public eye through her coverage of top sporting events. For Street, it was a relatively short journey to jobs in television, beyond the sports desk.

In addition to her radio job, she's still often returning to television to fill in for others or

for one-off roles. She's also an ambassador for four charities and in regular demand as an MC. She finds it hard to say 'no' and her instinct is to cram more into her working life.

She and France run a very tight ship. She says they're both highly organised, active people. Luckily, they're happy to be tucking into bed very early most nights.

"We're great fun at a party. But everyone knows we'll be off home before nine," she laughs. "I really don't do relaxing very well. But I know I need to watch my health and our life balance. We plan for very regular breaks throughout the year. And when I'm off-air in the summer programme break, that gives vital time to reset before we're back into our routine."

The couple moved to Bayswater six years ago. A major renovation of their bungalow included accommodation downstairs that's become a second home to Street's parents.

This year, Street is thrilled she's able to be more entrenched in the community as coach of Juliette's Year 2 netball team. And three games in, she's proud to say the Belmont Superstars are undefeated.

How does she do it all? "I take after my dairy-farming father. I have his ability to just take a nap whenever I want. Naps are my secret weapon."

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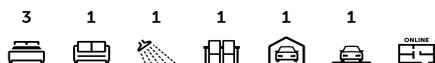
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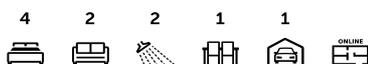


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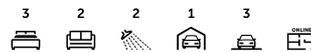


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Rotary smashes chandelier-cleaning



The challenging task of lowering The Victoria Theatre's 50kg chandelier and cleaning its 200 crystals was successfully undertaken recently by three members of Devonport Rotary.

They also continued replacing its 30 light bulbs with safer, dimmable LED lights.

Rotary member Colin Cannon (pictured above) was relieved not to replay a favourite

scene from TV show *Only Fools and Horses*, in which Del and Rodney smash a chandelier.

Cannon previously worked with an electrician to develop a pulley system to safely lower the chandelier in the main cinema for cleaning, ahead of 2012 centenary celebrations.

Since then, Rotary members have cleaned it and replaced bulbs, as needed, every few

years.

The chandelier was likely to have been installed in 1989, when the main auditorium was split to form Charlie Gray's Twin Cinemas, as it was then known, Devonport Heritage's Margot McRae says.

"It's not terribly old, but is still a gorgeous chandelier," she says.

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Yacht club wharf costs escalate

The cost of renewing a wharf used primarily for "wedding photos and fishing" has skyrocketed to \$750,000.

The wharf off Devonport Yacht Club was in such poor repair that a planned renewal project has now become an almost total rebuild.

The piling is "severely undermined" and the handrails are now the only part of the wharf suitable for retention, Auckland Council officers told a Devonport-Takapuna Local Board workshop.

The costs of rebuilding the wharf would be between \$500,000 and \$750,000, depending on the scope of the upgrade, officers said.

Board member Mike Cohen said the original budget was \$300,000 and decisions

needed to be carefully weighed.

Discussions with the yacht club had revealed "not a lot vessels" were berthing on the wharf, a council officer told the local board.

Broadly, board members were happy to proceed with getting costings for the project.

Member Grant Gillon said there were dangers posed by watercraft increasingly accessing nearby Torpedo Bay wharf, as it is heavily used for fishing and kids "jumping off."

Council engineers and its coastal and community facilities teams will have further discussions with Devonport Yacht Club members before reporting back to the local board.

20 years ago from the Flagstaff files



Writer Shonagh Koea is the Flagstaff interview subject

- After the fire service takes overly long to find a Bayswater kindergarten, Flagstaff inquiries reveal the service is working from outdated maps. The kindergarten is off Bayswater Ave. However, the Fire Service control room was using maps with the previous name of King Edward Ave. The name was changed to Bayswater Ave two years earlier.
- Belmont sickness beneficiary Maria Lorrigan wins a \$17,000 Daihatsu Charade in a Telebingo contest.
- Albert Oborn, a long-standing Devonport retailer of 50 years, dies aged 85. He owned Oborns Shore Store on Victoria Rd until 1980.
- The Esplanade Hotel business is put into receivership, after it defaulted on loans to fund renovations at the hotel.
- St Augustine’s Church hall has had \$15,000 spent on it in the past 18 months.
- A nose job auctioned at a Devonport Primary school fundraiser sold for \$1650. It went to a good cause – the purchase was believed to have funded the repair of a nasal abnormality.
- The Devonport Villa Inn Bed and Breakfast is on the market for \$995,000.
- A free-bus-and-ferry day is planned for 19 and 20 July.
- Around 40 people take part in the Devoport Midwinter Swim.
- Alan Revie and Rixt Brownlow win the men’s and women’s singles titles at the Ngataranga Tennis Club champs.
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Declaration of Parent and Staff Election Results

Parent Representatives votes:

Simon Angelo	32
Gavin Busch	52
Jason Copus	42
Carl Howcroft	45
Mark Morgan	28
Paul Webster	22
Martin Weekes	44
Invalid Votes	3

I hereby declare the following duly elected:

- Simon Angelo
- Gavin Busch
- Jason Copus
- Carl Howcroft
- Martin Weekes

Staff representative:

- Lucia Dawbin

Signed: Renee Mossman, Returning Officer

Belmont Primary School

Board of Trustees Election 2019
Declaration of Parent and Staff Election Results

Parent Representatives votes:

Simon Priddy	109
Michael Sweetman	99
Chris Jewell	90
Nissa Jameson	85
Anand Reddy	85
Rochelle Cooper	66
Elizabeth Elkins	45
Invalid Votes	12

I hereby declare the following duly elected:

- Simon Priddy
- Michael Sweetman
- Chris Jewell
- Nissa Jameson
- Anand Reddy

Staff representative votes (only one nomination received):

- Moira Clews

Signed Joyce Oorschot, Returning Officer

Young environmentalists plant trees at Kawerau Reserve



Green thumbs... Enviro Club leader Arabella Chapman (left) with fellow students Leah Park and Jake Arram. Lea Thisch (below) was another of the volunteers.

Members of the Takapuna Grammar School (TGS) Enviro Club have planted 150 trees to launch an ongoing project at Kawerau Reserve.

The wetland species were planted in just an hour on Tuesday 18 June, with assistance from Auckland Council park rangers Anna Baine and Dan Marrow.

“It’s an ideal spot to do some planting to enhance the little wetland that’s left here,” says Baine.

“The plan is that the Enviro group will come back and look after them.”

Another 500 trees will be planted on the site this year by the TGS students, who have recently ramped up their involvement within the community.



ZERO WASTE DEVONPORT

Andrew Walters, Director
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Recycling Centre

Every cloud has a silver lining

When things are challenging and the going gets tough it’s great to know you have friends!

I want to start with a big thanks to all the friends and customers of the recycling centre. Winter is always a challenge and the recycling centre does struggle financially over winter months. It’s been hugely uplifting talking to our community about the value they place on the community recycling centre.

The kind words and rise in visits to the site from customers, after our request for support, is inspirational. We have noticed a big increase in customers using the site for waste or recycling or using the shop. I spoke to one customer this week who came specially to drop hedge trimmings after reading the article in the Flagstaff. He even told all his friends to use the site. This customer, and others like him, are real heroes! It makes me proud to live and work in Devonport.

I also want to thank our trade customers for continued support and understanding, even with a big price change for trade prices. We are confident that we can survive the winter with the strong community support from all directions using the site. We want to dispel rumours that we are closing - **we are not** - and we intend to carry on providing a great service and working with our community to get towards zero waste.

Finally, we had our award-winning repair cafe trailer broken into and all our tools for community repair café events stolen. Once again, the support from the community offering tools and funds has been amazing.

We will wait to hear back on police investigations, insurance etc. before deciding what to do. But again, it shows we’re not in this alone and we have the backing of our community, which is awesome and hugely inspiring.

Not such a sustainable nest egg



Litter-sweet... A bird's nest constructed from plastic rubbish as well as the more usual twigs and grasses, was brought into the Flagstaff offices by a shocked resident after it was blown out of a tree on Victoria Rd.

Devonport is a community that takes pride in its environment, yet there was sufficient rubbish, such as duct tape and plastic strapping, that birds were using it to make a nest, Wayne Davies said.

Feeding chickens, worms and neighbourly connections

Local residents without a garden can now compost their food waste, with the help of sharewaste.org.nz, a new website that has been set up by the Compost Collective group.

The website connects people who wish to recycle their kitchen scraps with neighbours and local groups who are already composting. In Devonport, these include the Mt Cambria community garden, which accepts fruit and veggie scraps and grass clippings, and the Devonport Community Recycling Centre, which will take a small amount of food waste for its worm farm. Three private addresses are also listed on the site.

In Auckland, more than 90,000 tonnes of organic waste are sent to landfill every year. Food waste produces far more carbon dioxide in landfill that it would do if it were decomposing in an aerobic system, such as compost.

The Compost Collective is supported by Auckland Council, the Kaipatiki Project and EcoMatters Environment Trust.

Count us in: 50 volunteers at Cheltenham cockle check

Early results from a cockle survey at Cheltenham Beach show a slight increase in numbers.

Fifty volunteers gathered at Cheltenham beach on Sunday 16 June, to dig and tally cockles for the first time since 2015.

A permanent ban on shellfish gathering at Cheltenham has been in place, under the Fisheries Act and a rahui, since the early 1990s, after the shellfish population plummeted.

The 2015 survey showed an increase in cockle numbers after being almost totally depleted in the 1980s.

An organiser of the count, Paul Glass, believes that numbers have increased again since the 2015 survey, but more needs to be done to ensure the growth.

"In terms of the recovery of the cockle population, the results won't be in for a couple of weeks. But anecdotally it looks like there's been a further improvement in numbers. If we want to have a vibrant and healthy harbour in Auckland, it may be time for the council to look at a blanket ban on all shellfish harvesting in the Hauraki Gulf, until numbers recover. Otherwise we could be looking at a future where the harbour is devoid of life," says Glass.

He hopes the shellfish survey will be undertaken annually in future.



Down for the count... Students from room 18 at Belmont Intermediate, including (from left) Tom Talbot, Ben Clarke and Erik Brownlow, were among Year 8 students participating in the cockle and pipi survey at Cheltenham Beach as a way to take their studies of the environment and statistics into the field. Photo: Keeley Watson.



Unshellfish acts... Students from Takapuna Grammar School and Belmont Intermediate (above) help gather data on the number of cockles remaining at Cheltenham, after most of the bivalves were plundered in the 1980s. Prior to that, cockles could be found in abundance at the beach.

Right: Local scientists guided volunteers in how to conduct the survey.

Below: Fifty volunteers helped out for several hours. Results of the survey are expected to be used to lobby fisheries authorities to further protect shellfish at Cheltenham Beach. Photos: Keeley Watson



Narrow Neck Beach clean-up draws the crowds



Bucket buddies... Lucy Bullock and Florentina Kitchen during the beach clean-up. Photos: Keeley Watson.



Broken beer bottles, metal, plastic and fishing line were among some of the items picked up at the Narrow Neck beach clean-up.

More than 60 people attended the Saturday 15 June event organised by The Clean Up Crew NZ.

"We ended up with four full rubbish bags and some metal items," says Clean Up Crew founder Emma Wingrove.

"Unfortunately, the two closest Fort Takapuna tunnels up on the bank are a bit of a haven for litter, which is, again, almost all broken beer bottles."

Wingrove says that many volunteers were people walking the beach who saw what was going on and decided to join in.

The next beach clean-up will be held at Cheltenham Beach on Sunday 11 August, from 10am to 12pm.

**On the beach...
Takapuna Grammar students
Yujin Choi and Wenyi Soon
were among the volunteers
who sprang into action**

Littlies join in for Bayswater Primary planting



Five-year-old Juno Donaldson was one of 250 students who took part in native-tree planting at Bayswater School on 21 June.

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WILLIAM SANDERS RETIREMENT VILLAGE

Family ties to William Sanders

Turning 80 was a big factor and prompt for Waiheke couple Glennys and Grant Adams to start thinking about retirement living.

The pair, particularly Glennys, have had close associations with the stunning suburb of Devonport.

Because of that history the new Ryman location was immediately attractive.

But Glennys admits there was another very special reason behind their decision to choose this village — Glennys is the great-niece of the village namesake, naval hero William Sanders.

“I was absolutely delighted when I found out Ryman wanted to name the new village after him,” says Glennys.

William, who was the only Kiwi to be awarded a Victoria Cross in a naval battle, died after his ship was torpedoed by a German submarine in 1917.

He was awarded the VC – the Commonwealth’s highest honour for bravery – as well as the Distinguished Service Order.

“My grandmother Emily Keith, nee Sanders, was William’s only sister. She, William and their other two brothers Charles and Walter were very close.

“As I lived with Emily for my first six years, William, or Uncle Willy as we called him, was very much part of my life.”

While their apartment is yet to be built, Glennys admits that having some certainty for their future is reassuring.

“As one ages, thoughts naturally turn to what may be needed at the next stage of life’s journey and it seems that a retirement village offers a sense of security.

“It is also reassuring for Grant and I as we enter our 80s to know that there are different levels of care available to us if required in the future.”

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Jazz Age revisited for TGS dance show



With a contemporary spin... The Takapuna Grammar School Hip Hop Group in a performance choreographed by student Maddie Paget for the school's Dance Evening at the Bruce Mason Centre

Takapuna Grammar School's annual Dance Evening was held on 18 June at the Bruce Mason Centre, offering a 1920s-themed evening

of dance, choreographed by students and teachers as well as professional choreographers. It's annual Dance Evening was held on 18

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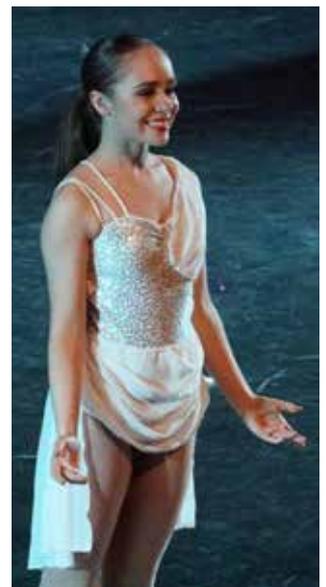
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Clockwise from top: The Year 10 dance class performs *New Rush*; dancer Emma Neill; the Level I dance class executes a lift in *Hallelujah*; the Fosse Ensemble. All these dances were choreographed by teacher Alana Grant. Photos: Keeley Watson.



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The 11th Pink Breakfast to be organised by Lynda BettBayleys, held on 29 May, raised the record sum with help from ticket sales (\$40 each), local businesses who donated prizes, and sponsorship.

Meanwhile, Nicola Jones held a Pink Breakfast at her Devonport home on 19 May, raising \$5000 for Breast Cancer New Zealand.

The event featured champagne, canapes and a fashion show by Wallis clothing, accompanied by a pop-up store, contributing 10 per cent of sales to the charity.

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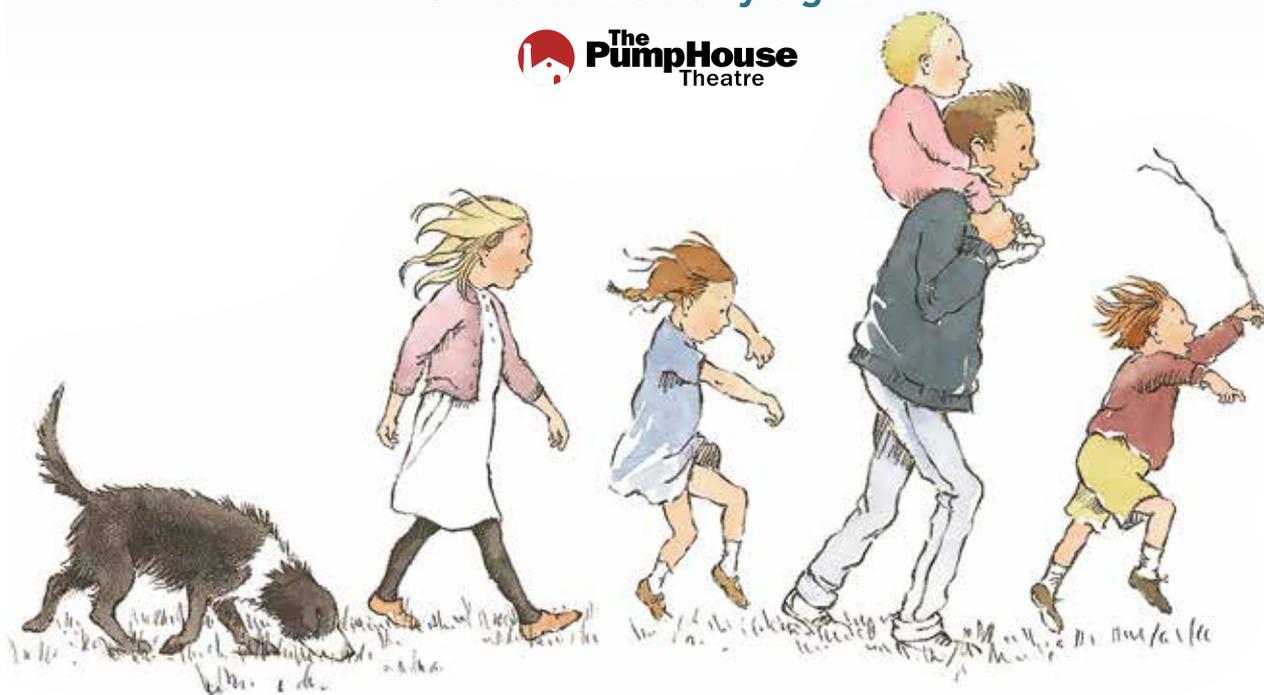


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Brilliant blend of piano and orchestra

The Devonport Chamber Orchestra (DCO) presented a scintillating pair of 19th-century works at their concert at Holy Trinity Church on Sunday 2 June.

The concert, conducted with precision and panache by Peter Thomas, opened with Rossini's sunny *Semiramide* overture. A long overture, peppered with lovely melodies from the rarely performed opera, it received full attention from all sections of the orchestra. The timpani, horns and woodwind brought out the gravitas and measured opening theme before the first of the Rossini crescendos. Florid work from

the piccolo floated above the trombones, then the strings. The first violins were totally equal to the exposed rapid melodies. Thomas held it all together with masterly firmness. His rapport with the orchestra was apparent, as it was in the Grieg piano concerto, which followed.

Patrick Cornfield has played 22 concerti with the DCO over the last 16 years. At the risk of sounding like a television advertisement for frozen vegetables, it was a case of "Cornfield, you've done it again."

The Grieg concerto is so well known it must present challenges beyond the techni-

cal brilliance required from the pianist. Many people know every note, and it was clearly visible that this was an audience well versed in the work. None of this seemed to cause Cornfield any concerns. His confident opening following the timpani roll stamped his authority on the performance. His fingerwork was immaculate – as seen in the passages of fast sequential octaves as well as in the serenity of the second movement. The playing in the woodwinds was very sensitive, and indeed, the dialogue between piano and all sections was striking. Thomas was a soloist's dream conductor – following closely Cornfield's every move.

The string players once again demonstrated their maturity. The orchestra was very effectively led by Joseph Chen, and Thomas's familiarity with this group helped generate a wonderfully cohesive sound, fully supportive of soloist and individual solo lines.

Cornfield received a very warm reception and played a beautifully evocative intermezzo from Brahms' late period as an encore.

by Rogan Falla

• The orchestra's next concert is on Sunday 14 July at 2pm, in Holy Trinity Church. Peter Thomas will conduct and the brilliant young violinist, Benedict Lim, will be soloist in the Dvorak Violin Concerto.

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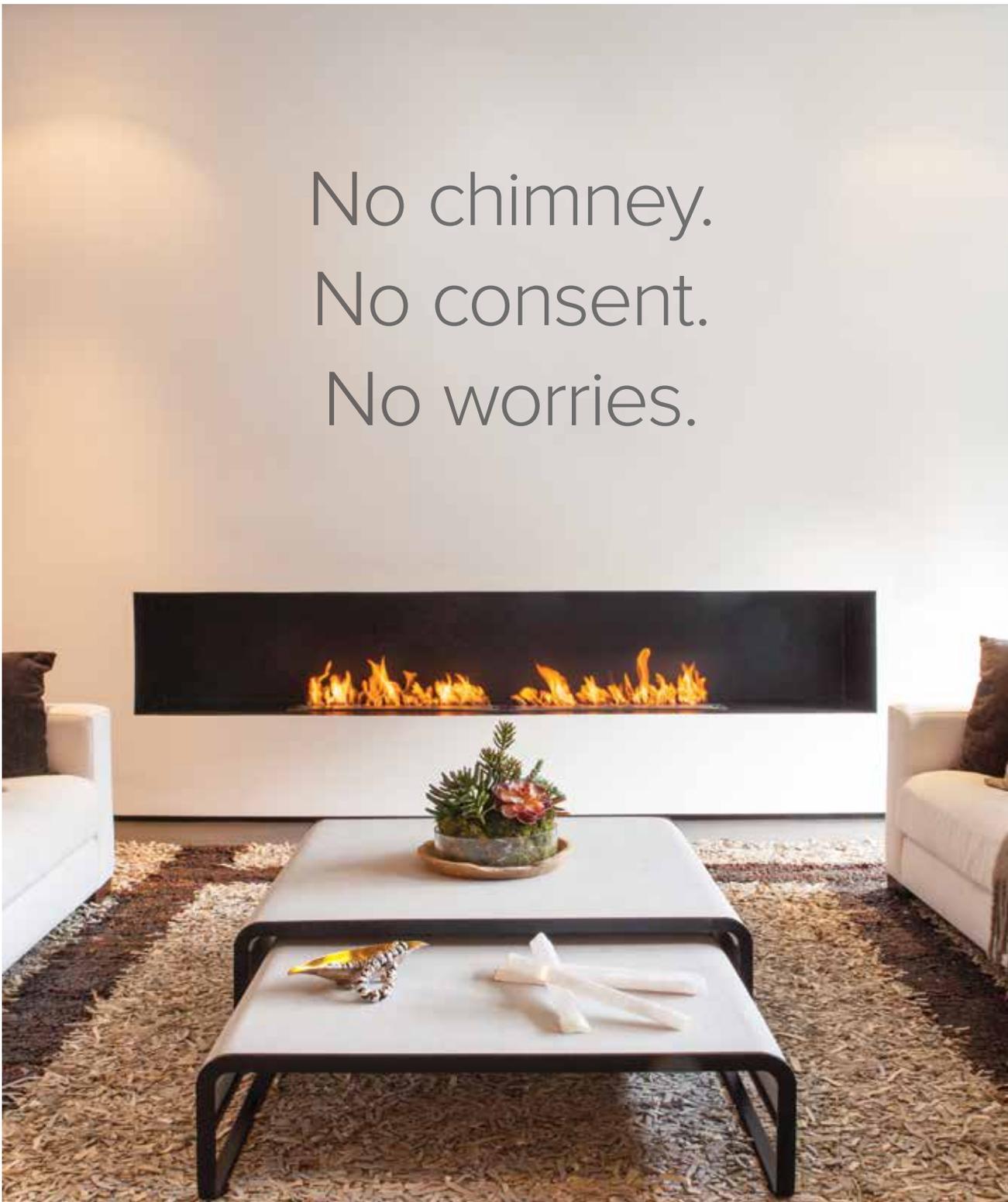
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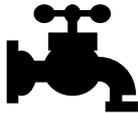


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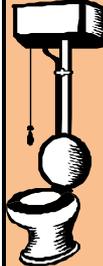
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Board asks for greater powers

The transfer of decision-making on small projects from Auckland Transport to the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board is being sought by the board.

It has become increasingly frustrated in recent years at the number of complaints it receives for routine matters it has no control over.

If the changeover is approved by Auckland Transpor (AT)t, the board would regain control over residential parking permits, the provision of yellow lines in streets and other similar controls.

AT has resisted handing over control to local boards in the 10 years since the creation of the 'supercity', as it has wanted universal rules across Auckland, not special cases in individual areas.

Board member Grant Gillon, who moved the motion, said the board understood local matters in the community well.

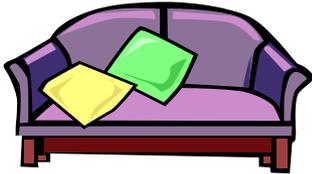
"But issue after issue we have to beg Auckland Transport to work out a solution on very small local issues."

Member Mike Sheehy said if the move was adopted by AT, it would see a lot of efficiencies.

Member Mike Cohen, said local autonomy worked well when he was Devonport Community Board chair for eight years.

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Channel Deepening Project

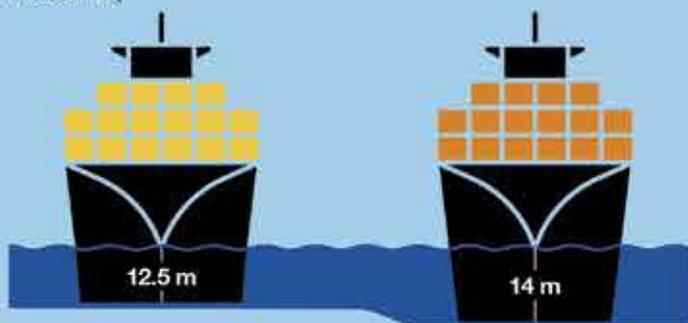
In 2019, Ports of Auckland will apply for consent to **deepen the Waitematā Navigation Channel**.



Minimum channel depth at low tide

Current = 12.5 metres

Proposed = 14 metres on the straights (14.2 metres on the bends)



Current

Proposed

Auckland's population is growing fast, with a million more people expected to live here by 2050. More people means more demand for the products we all buy from overseas, which means more containerised imports and – because of economies of scale – bigger ships.

Ports of Auckland has to be ready to handle this growth.

The largest container ships we handle at the moment carry up to 5,000 twenty-foot containers (TEU). Shipping lines want to bring 6-7,000 TEU ships here in the next 2-3 years and in future we will need to host 'New Panamax' ships that can carry around 12,000 TEU.

The shallowest parts of the channel are 12.5m deep at low tide, whereas 6-7,000 TEU ships have a draft of 14m and New Panamax ships have a draft of 15.2m.

To keep dredging to a minimum, we will use tidal windows. Tidal windows are in common use in other New Zealand ports, and simply mean that deeper draft ships enter or leave port when the tide is high enough. To create a suitable tidal window for New Panamax ships to access port safely we will need a channel which is 14m deep on the straights and 14.2m deep

on the bends. As it takes around 15 hours to unload and load a container ship, our berth will be dredged to 15.5 metres so ships can stay through a full tide cycle.

Ports of Auckland will use a mechanical dredge – a digger on a barge – to deepen the channel. The digger will have a long arm to reach down to the seabed to scoop out sediment and rock. The bed of the channel is mostly soft material like marine muds, mudstones and some sandstone and gritstone, which can be removed by a digger. No blasting is required.

We are currently undertaking a wide range of studies to examine the likely impact of dredging. This includes work on navigation & safety, wave & current impacts, biosecurity and more.

The studies will be posted on our website as they are completed.

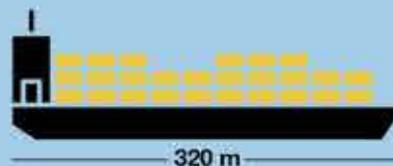
Later this year Ports of Auckland will apply to Auckland Council for a 30-year consent to deepen the channel. We will apply for consent to dredge in stages – probably two:

- Stage 1 for 6-7,000 TEU vessels.
- Stage 2 for New Panamax vessels.

Ship size

Current largest vessel permitted:

- 320m length
- 43m beam (width)
- 12.7m draft (depth)



Current

Proposed largest vessel permitted:

- 366m length
- 49m beam
- 15.2m draft



Proposed

We are now consulting with stakeholders, and if you would like to meet with us or find out more information, please contact:

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Takapuna

SCHOOL NEWS



Grammar

JUN 28, 2019

Massey University STEM Day

Every year, Massey University graciously opens its doors to high-school students from all over the North Shore to spend a day on its campus.

This year, 11 Takapuna Grammar School (TGS) students were given a taste of different lectures at Massey University's STEM Day. Engineering and Ecology are just two of the many subjects that were made available. The interesting presentations and physical work that came with these lectures allowed the students to experience university life first-hand.

With one and a half years of high school left, these TGS students eagerly participated in hope of finding their passions. In the engineering course, students were taught simple coding that programmed robots to move in different directions. They were shown presentations of projects that they would undertake during engineering courses at Massey University.

Some TGS students attended a Biology and Genetics lecture where they were given the opportunity to extract their own DNA from cheek cells that they had collected. Another student attended an Information Technology lecture that focused on the design and development of apps. These small snippets contributed greatly towards



the students' future career decisions.

"What an amazing opportunity," said Maddie Yamaguchi, a student who attended the day. "It really broadened my view of all the career options

available. I am so grateful to have been able to go, and would definitely recommend that other students attend if given the chance."

BY LIN LI YEOH

Big Sing 2019

On Wednesday 14 June, 200 keen choristers from Takapuna Grammar School (TGS) departed for Auckland Town Hall to compete in the annual Big Sing Competition.

The Big Sing starts off with regionals within each city, and approximately 24 choirs are selected from New Zealand to attend the national finale competition. All four TGS choirs competed and did an exceptional job of telling stories through music and song. They were conducted by Mr Jacob Moore or Ms Keani Taruia-Pora, the choral directors, and were supported by Mr Andrew Murphy (HOD of Music) and Mrs Charlett-Green. Without their support, the choirs would not have made it this far.

As a member of two choirs, I am so grateful for all the work they put in. Felicity Lewis, Head Chorister of Leonessa, also expressed her gratitude: "We're incredibly lucky to have the opportunity to perform such amazing music, in beautiful venues and be so well supported by the music staff at TGS."

The day started with the sessions where

choirs from all around Auckland performed their competition repertoire, for which they were judged by the panel. It was an amazing opportunity not only to perform in a big venue with wonderful acoustics, but to also showcase the music that they had been working on for the past few months.

Our choirs – TGS Chorale, Leonessa, Sultans of Sing and Taka Crooners – all gave an amazing performance that captivated and entertained everybody in the room. The Big Sing is always a supportive environment, particularly for TGS. When one of our choirs was called to perform, everybody else cheered them on, giving them support. Carina Oliver, TGS head girl, said: "The Big Sing never fails to make [her] feel an immense amount of pride."

The day finished with the Gala Concert, where each school performs one of their three songs for the friends and family that come to watch. This is always a great way to finish the day, as we are reminded of all the talent in the room.

At the awards ceremony on the 13 June, the TGS

Chorale (senior mixed choir) won runner-up for the Leo Pasifika Award.

The Big Sing 2019 was a blast, but it was also the last time our Year 13s performed with us on the town-hall stage. One of the Year 13 members expressed her love for the choirs, saying, "to sing in the town hall alongside the TGS choirs is something I will never forget."

Volkan Ozyuteri, Head Chorister of the TGS Chorale, said that he "could not have asked for better people to spend [his] final Big Sing with. I am so proud of where we have come, and we all did an amazing job representing the talent our kura has, and now we keep moving forward."

The schools that will be progressing to the national finale will be announced on 24 June. Many of the choirs are hoping to get through, but even if they don't, The Big Sing 2019 was an incredible platform for us to enjoy performing in front of the kindest, most supportive audience any chorister could ask for.

BY MADDIE YAMAGUCHI

Takapuna

SCHOOL NEWS



Grammar

JUN 28, 2019



Shave for a Cure



On Friday 7 June, students and staff participated in Takapuna Grammar School's annual Shave For a Cure. After gathering sponsors over the weeks leading up to the event, 19 heads were shaved before a cheering audience at lunchtime. A huge amount was raised by those who participated!

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CYCLE TO SCHOOL The Auckland Transport 'Cycle to School' breakfast was a big success with over 100 students (including staff) coming in early on their bikes. AT handed out bike lights, reflective 'be seen' straps, prizes and information about how to stay safe on your bike. The students loved getting their selfies with All Blacks Reiko and Akira Ioane. Thank you to those who came down to support.

SYNCHRONISED SWIMMING Neve Bessell competed at the North Island synchro champs, which were held in Tauranga last weekend. Neve's team achieved three gold medals in the following events: 1st Junior Tech team, 1st Junior Free team and 1st Senior free team. Well done Neve!

RUGBY The Girls 1st XV had a narrow loss to Kaipara College this week, 56-48. The girls are continuing to work really well as a team and are going from strength to strength each week. It's an exciting time for girls rugby at TGS!

BASKETBALL On 19 June, our Junior girls got back to their winning ways and won 22-13, and our Year 9 boys also won in dominating fashion, 63-29. Last Friday, our U19 girls won their fourth game in a row, 30-14. This week, the Junior B boys team won 32-13 and the Year 9 boys won once again 37-29 on Wednesday night.

FOOTBALL Our boys 2nd XI won 4-2 against Rangitoto College 2nd XI. Our 1st teams both had tight losses in tightly contested matches.

MULTISPORT In the 3D Multisport event in Rotorua, Charlie Millington finished second overall in all ages in the 30km MTB race. He was beaten by one second in a sprint to the finish.

MOUNTAIN BIKING In the Craters Classic mountain bike race in Taupo last weekend, Joe Millington finished first overall out of 140 riders in the short-course 15 km race. It was a fast and furious race, finishing with a very fast 4km descent to the finish.

'Heritage' rule changes horrify advocates

A plan change that sounds as if it should protect Devonport's unique historic character could actually threaten it, heritage advocates say.

Residents have until 12 July to make a submission on plan change 26, which changes rules for 'special character overlays' in the Auckland Unitary Plan.

The move aims to correct a blunder, revealed last year, where hundreds of resource consents had to be revoked, because the wrong rules were applied to heritage developments.

Now rules for special character overlays will take priority over those for single housing zones, in cases where both could be applied.

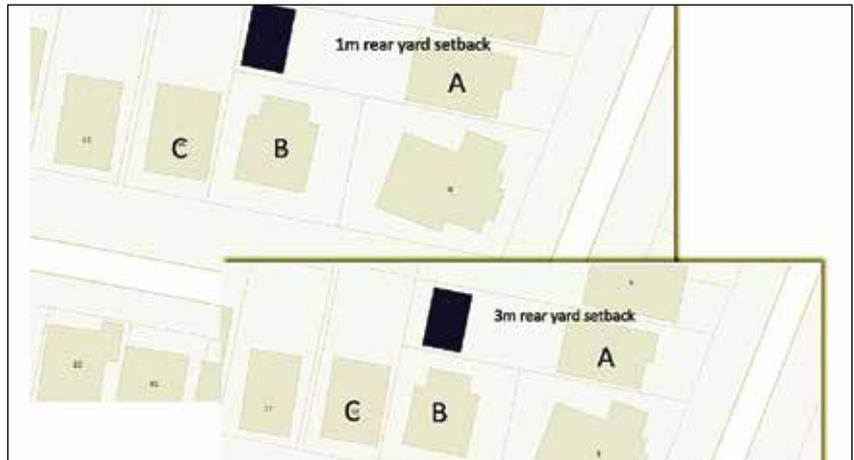
However, Devonport Heritage is concerned there will actually be less protection for historic houses in the special character overlay than elsewhere.

"The council is trying to sort it out, but they are applying a simplistic solution and, in doing so, they are leaving it pretty vulnerable for development in Devonport," Devonport Heritage member Alistair Helm says.

The issue is that the council sees the earliest parts of the city as intensively housed, so the rules provide for dense development, Helm says.

Devonport Heritage is most concerned about the proposed rules for height-to-boundary and backyard setback.

The plan change would see side and rear height-to-boundary rules starting at 3 metres, rather than 2.5 metres as in the single housing zone.



Shady deal... If the 1-metre rear-yard rule were to apply to building A (in a different street to B and C), any new building would be more visible from the garden of property C and potentially increase shading for C

The rule imagines a pole at the edge of the boundary and a line extending at a 45-degree angle from its top into the property; the house has to be contained in that envelope (see diagram).

The effect of the rule is that Devonport could have bulkier buildings than, for example, nearby Hauraki, Helm says.

Currently, the special character overlay requires a building to be at least 3 metres

away from the rear boundary, but this "backyard setback" would reduce to 1.2 metres.

In densely housed Devonport, the backyard of one property can be close to the back of a property on another street, so allowing building closer to the rear boundary could shade another house, as well as having a visual impact, Helm says.

An explanation of the changes is on Devonport Heritage's website under "News".

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'Disappearing' cottage set to return

A historic cottage in one of Devonport's oldest streets has been gutted and moved to the back of a section, pending a major renovation, which Auckland Council signed off without notification.

Worried residents advised the Flagstaff about the works, fearing the cottage would be lost altogether.

However, it has been moved to the back of the property while a basement room is dug out, and will be moved back to its former position, as part of the consent.

Heritage advocates say it was one of the homes caught up in a council resource-consent debacle, which has resulted in a current proposed plan change 26, as well as a new consent for the renovations.

Buchanan St dates back to the late 19th century and it is likely the cottage at number 17 was built around the same time, Devonport Heritage's Alistair Helm says.

Helm lives next door, in a building that once housed the Pentlands maternity hospital, which operated from 1925 to 1975.

The hospital's matron, Annie Kidd, lived in the cottage at 17 Buchanan St until her death a few years ago.

Devonport Heritage viewed and supported the consent, as it involved demolishing a lean-to, added to the back of the cottage in the 1930s, and a garage.

The chimney has been demolished and there are no plans to replace it.



Shift work... The Buchanan St cottage that is to be moved back to its original position

While the chimney was part of the character of the home, earthquake rules mean rebuilding chimneys can be complex, Helm says.

The owners of the cottage could not be reached for comment by deadline.



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