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## Junior rugby swaps Gold Coast tour for South Island

For a number of years, the Helensville Junior Rugby Club has sent teams to the Gold Coast on a week-long tour.

This biennial trip has become a right-of-passage for many of the club's rugby players, but when Covid-19 hit the Gold Coast was ruled out as a destination, and thoughts turned to a local alternative.

Next year's tour in the July school holidays will swap golden beaches for the snow capped peaks of the Southern Alps as around 45 rugby-loving players venture into 'red and black' territory for a five-day tour to the Canterbury heartland.

And that's not the only change to past tours. For the first time the group will include a Girls' Ripa Rugby team as well as the Boys' Team of J1 and J2 players. Most of the players will be around 11 or 12 years of age, and in Year 7 or 8.

Tour chairperson Ati Wynyard says opening up the tour to the girls is really exciting.

"For a number of years the rugby club has been building up its girls' ripa teams and

we've got a n awesome group of keen and r e a l l y athletic y o u n g female players, so the tour will be a great reward for all their hard work."

Of course, the tour relies on fundraising, and given the current economic climate organisers are looking for whatever community support they can get.

A number of events are planned which the organisers hope locals will get behind, including a quiz night, a Rolling Stones tribute band, a fun run - and the obligatory fundraising sausage sizzles.

The change in destination has also meant a lot of work for the committee to organise a tour from scratch.

"The response from the Canterbury rugby clubs we've talked to has been really great," says Ati. "They're excited about hosting us and we're looking at having a couple of games at country clubs and one in the city, too."

The itinerary will allow plenty of time for sightseeing, with a day trip to Hanmer Springs, a tour of the International Antarctic Centre, a tram ride, and maybe even a visit with the Crusaders.

"The tour is something our kids look



• Ball carrier Ashton Coles is one of the Helensville Junior Rugby Club players looking forward to the tour to Canterbury next year

- Photo: Belinda Coles

forward to for years, so while it's a shame Covid has put the Gold Coast off the table, we're really excited about this South Island alternative and we hope to do Helensville proud, on and off the rugby field."

## Election Feature

The election feature we had planned to bring you this issue will now run in our October edition, following the month's postponement for the general election caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

In the feature you will be able to hear what the following Kaipara ki Mahurangi candidates have to say: Beth Houlbrooke (ACT), Marja Lubeck (Labour), Callan Neylon (Social Credit), Chris Penk (National), and Brenda Steele (NZ First).

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# editorial

Is everyone sick of it by now? Covid-19 and its associated lockdowns certainly put a crimp in the production of *Helensville News*, with events cancelled or postponed and not being able to go out and do interviews, etc.

You'll notice this issue is smaller than usual. As we mentioned last month, we had planned to bring you an election special, but that's been deferred until our October edition, in line with the later general election date. Still, a 12-page issue is better than no print issue at all, as happened during Level 4!

The uncertainty around potential future lockdowns is becoming a nightmare for event organisers. Insurers will no longer insure events for cancellation caused by Covid-19, meaning organisations like the Helensville A&P Association, for example, have to take a punt as to whether to go ahead or not. There is so much work involved - almost all voluntary - and large sums of money to be outlaid to run big community events, and when you are a not-for-profit having to cancel at the last minute can be devastating financially. The Bay of Islands A&P Association, which runs the oldest show in New Zealand, recently cancelled its annual November show, unwilling to take the financial risk - only world wars had previously seen that event cancelled.

Closer to home, our annual Christmas parade has been given the chop, along with the Christmas Day community dinner - see below. This is such a shame for a beloved event, but if I was the organiser I would certainly have looked at things in a similar light.

- Dave Addison, Editor

## Christmas parade and community dinner victims of Covid-19

Helensville's Christmas parade and Christmas Day community dinner have both been called off - and we have the uncertainty surrounding Covid-19 to thank for that.

Local business woman Holly Southernwood has organised both events for several years, but says: "it is unreasonable to give such a huge amount of time as is required, possibly in vain."

"Therefore I am cancelling any preparation for our beloved Christmas parade, and the much-appreciated Christmas Day community dinner."

Holly says that because of the economic impact of lockdowns, she was expecting to fund the Christmas parade herself this year, knowing businesses and community organisations are struggling with reduced income.

"Instead I will endeavour to erect Christmas lights on the fronts of my buildings. Maybe others can do likewise to create some Christmas spirit in our community."

"Covid-19 has changed the world,

possibly for ever. Let's do what we can to encourage community togetherness," she says.

Describing Holly's decision as "completely understandable", North West Country Business Association manager Phelan Pirrie says: "it's high risk really, and there is a tonne of work that goes into these events." He adds a number of other local events face uncertain futures.

## Candidates' debate

The general election candidate's debate which was to have been held in the Helensville War Memorial Hall on August 25 has been postponed until later on in September.

Organised by the North West Country Business Association, a new date had yet to be set at the time of going to press, pending government announcements regarding lockdown levels. If large gatherings are still prohibited, the debate may be held online.

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# Latest generation ambulance donated to Helensville

Helensville has a flash new fourth-generation ambulance - thanks in part to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The 'Gen-4' ambulance - delivered fully gift wrapped - was donated to Helensville St John by ASB.

In April, St John launched a fundraising campaign to increase its number of frontline ambulances to prepare for winter and uncertainty over Covid-19. As a long-time partner of the organisation, ASB donated the first ambulance to kickstart the 2020 appeal.

"We are proud to be helping the Helensville community by gifting this ambulance to St John," says ASB chief executive Vittoria Shortt.

"We have been a major partner of St John for more than 12 years, and have seen first-hand the incredible work they do. We know that having an ambulance close by can make a huge difference - often life-saving - in times of need."

On Wednesday, August 5 St John and ASB staff as well as members of the Helensville community gathered outside Helensville Library where the gift-wrapped ambulance was unveiled with help from members of the local St John Youth Penguin programme, blessed by local kaumatua and St John chaplain Colin Marshall, and gifted to the community.

The new ambulance replaces a third generation one donated by the late Bruce Cochrane, which has now been redeployed to West Auckland to extend its lifespan, which is typically eight years. It clocked up significant mileage while operating in Helensville.

While St John's ambulance operations are 72 percent funded by Government, the organisation relies on the generosity and

support of the public to help fund the balance, including new ambulances and equipment such as first response kits and defibrillators.

St John Waitemata Territory Manager Mike McAulay says the generosity of ASB helps to ensure local ambulance crews have the most up-to-date vehicles and lifesaving equipment to treat patients in the area.

"St John is grateful for the ongoing support of ASB, which has stepped up in these extraordinary times to provide us with a much-needed ambulance for the district.



• St John staff and 'penguins' with the newly-unwrapped ambulance

The typical lifespan of an ambulance is eight years, so this vehicle will go a long way in helping us to save lives," says Mr McAulay.

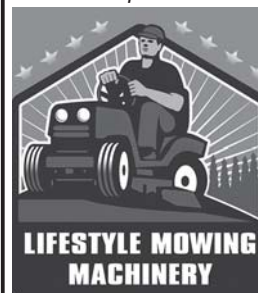
"The new ambulance is a GEN-4, which is fully equipped with lifesaving equipment. It is also fitted with new features including advanced driver aids which offer ambulance officers and their patients increased safety and security," says Mr McAulay.

On average, St John attended 90 emergency incidents each month in Helensville over the 12 months to June 30.

Nationwide, the organisation treated or transported to hospital more than 470,000 patients in the past year, with the 111 Ambulance Communications centres receiving well over half a million calls.

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# Social agencies combine to better help local families

Two leading local social agencies have joined forces with the belief that what they can achieve as one, is greater than what can be achieved as two separate organisations.

The Helensville Women and Family Centre (HWFC) and Kia Tīmata Anō Women's Refuge have merged and will now be known as Kindred Family Services.

Executive Director Ana Christmas is excited by the new name which she says not only speaks to the sharing of values and mission at the heart of the two local organisations, but also to the importance of relationships and building trust.

"Our focus," she says, "is on providing safe and nurturing experiences for people to grow and heal, and 'kindred' is a word that we can really make our own as we help people weave a new story for their own futures and the future of our community."

The first change people will notice will be the new name and logo on signage alongside the HWFC's existing flags outside its offices in the old Post Office building in Commercial Road.

"The Helensville Women and Family Centre has been a huge part of this community for over a quarter of a century, so it'll take some time for people to get used to our new name, but what won't be changing are the amazing people who are part of our team and their commitment to the people who live here," says Nelene De Beer, who was Clinical Manager at the Women's Centre and stays in that role under the newly merged organisation.

Also continuing will be Kia Tīmata Anō's

secure safe house, which last year provided sanctuary and refuge for 14 women and 18 children.

"Our refuge is vitally important and always will be, but what we hope with this merger is that by helping more people with counselling, advocacy, family support and other wrap-around services we'll help people avoid the sorts of stresses that can



• Ana Christmas (left) and Nelene De Beer of the newly merged Kindred Family Services

lead to family violence in the first place," explains Ana.

In a climate where so many charities have to work hard for funding, the merger will mean the organisations have greater financial stability and can grow sustainably to help even more people.

"It may not be widely known, but both Kia Tīmata Anō and the HWFC have for a long time been helping people from Riverhead, Kumeu, Muriwai, Waimauku and right up to Glorit," says Ana, "and as Kindred Family Services we'll be able to help even more people, helping the entire northwest Rodney and South Kaipara area flourish."

The two organisations have worked alongside each other in various ways over the years, most recently as two of the key

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# Ag Day changes reflect Covid-19

Helensville Primary School has made major changes to the way its Ag Day will be run this year, to help support local businesses post Covid-19 lockdown.

Organised by Parents And Teachers at Helensville School (PATHS), Ag Day will be from 4pm to 7.30 pm on Friday, October 16.

The school is reversing its usual role of asking for donations and sponsorship for the event, and is instead planning to showcase local businesses.

"Our focus for 2020 will not be on making money but promoting local businesses and celebrating our community togetherness," says PATHS' Cara Pinnell.

The school is offering local food outlets the chance to set up a stall to sell their products - and to keep all of the profits.

Te Awaroa Café has already confirmed, with a food stall featuring a potential menu of seafood chowder and mussel fritters.

PATHS are also in discussion with Four Square Parakai, Wow Sushi, The Ville Turkish Cafe and The Real Bread Project about holding stalls.

Other businesses are being asked to supply signage and other

promotional material, which will be displayed around stalls, games and activities on the day. The aim is to help promote the businesses and give a thankyou for their support over the years for the school's Ag Day.

Helensville Primary will also be posting thanks on social media pages to the businesses that have supported the school with previous fundraising goals. Most recently, donations have gone towards the new senior playground, completed earlier this year.

Any business wanting to hold a food stall or to provide promotional material should email: [paths@helensville.school.nz](mailto:paths@helensville.school.nz).



• Pie-in-the-face fun at a previous Helensville School ag day

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players in the formation of the Kai Collective, a foodbank set up during the first Covid-19 lockdown.

"The Kai Collective is a great example of how, in a time of crisis, we can find a way to harness the spirit and resources of our community, and it's been such a privilege to see the very real and positive changes the food parcels are making for people who are doing it pretty hard right now because of Covid."

Another upcoming focus is the Turning The Tide fundraising event, the major fundraiser for the Kia Timata Anō Women's

Refuge for the last three years. It was to have been held in May but was postponed due to the first lockdown and will now, all things going to plan, happen on Sunday, October 11.

Participants walk the 17km from the Rimmer Road end of Muriwai Beach to the Muriwai Surf Club and raise funds and awareness for a family violence free community.

Tickets are available now at Eventbrite.

You can find out more about the new look Kindred Family Services at its website [www.kindredfamilyservices.org.nz](http://www.kindredfamilyservices.org.nz) which should be live later this month. In the meantime, visit [hwfc.co.nz](http://hwfc.co.nz).

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## Number of AEDs grows

The number of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) available 24 hours a day locally has grown dramatically - but the local St John Area Committee would still like to see more installed.

Last September *Helensville News* reported on the installation of the first 24/7 AED to be installed in our area, in the entrance way to the Helensville RSA in Commercial Road.

Since then, six more units have been installed. They are at:

- Magnify Church, 124 Commercial Road, Helensville;
- Waitoki GAS fuel station, 1105 Kahikatea Flat Road, Waitoki;
- Craigweil House, 145 Parkhurst Road, Parakai;
- The Jetty Café, Shelly Beach Road, Shelly Beach;
- The Lions Club and Helensville Tennis Club rooms, Rautawhiri Park, Helensville;
- On the wall between Cleaver's Edge and the Liberty Brewery Tap Room in Mill Road, Helensville.

The St John Helensville Area Committee is working with local service organisations to install the AED units over an area stretching from Kumeu to Glorit and out to South Head. The Jetty Café unit at Shelly Beach was donated by Rotary South Kaipara, and the unit at Rautawhiri Park by the Helensville Lions Club.

"The committee is grateful to the businesses, organisations and landlords for their support of this initiative," says Area Committee treasurer John Issott.

However, John says the St John Area Committee is still keen to add more AEDs, and to make available 24/7 some of those that are currently only available when premises are open.

Anyone with a potential suitable site for a

new outdoor unit, or an existing AED they would be willing to make public so it's available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, is asked to contact the Helensville St John Shop in the first instance - either call in, phone 420 9272 or email at: helensville.opshop@stjohn.org.nz.

St John can supply a secure external box, like the ones shown in the photos. This is a universal fitting and can be adapted to any AED.

Full instructions for use of the AEDs are on the outside of the cover. In the event of a cardiac arrest and to access the AED, a person must first phone 111 so the St John Ambulance Communications staff can provide instructions including CPR over the



• Lions Club president Dr Roland Ostring and Tennis Club administrator Gaylene Ashton with the new Rautawhiri Park-based defibrillator unit

phone and the code to unlock the unit. Once the cabinet is unlocked and the AED is switched on, the device provides automated instructions, making it simple to operate.

John also recommends locals download the 'AED Locations' smartphone app, available for both Apple and Android devices. The app gives the locations of all registered AEDs, not just those available 24/7.

"Know where your nearest ones are, wherever in New Zealand you go. Next to the Covid Tracer app, this is the one that can save lives," says John.

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# Testing time at medical centre

Challenging, but manageable.

That's how the Kaipara Medical Centre team has described the return to lockdown as Auckland entered Level 3 on Wednesday, August 12.

As the frontline in the local response to the Covid-19 pandemic, the local GP practice had to move quickly to adapt to new ways of working.

"Our focus is ensuring the health of our patients and our staff," explains Practice Manager Debbie Eastwood, "so we're doing some consultations over the phone, but if you need to see a doctor face-to-face we can do that too in a safely managed way."

They've also been busy doing Covid-19 tests, carrying out 150 in the first week of lockdown alone.

"Our patients have been really great at coming in when they have one or more of the symptoms of Covid to get a test which is really encouraging," says Debbie.

"It's great to see so many prepared to get



• Nurse Manager Barbara McKenzie administers a Covid-19 test in the Kaipara Medical Centre carpark during Level 3

the test because that's what we all need to do in order to keep the pandemic under control."

Patients with any of the symptoms of Covid-19 including a cough, a high temperature, shortness of breath, sore throat or runny nose are encouraged to call the Kaipara Medical Centre and arrange a time to come in.

They wait in their car in the carpark and a nurse in full PPE (personal protective wear) comes out to administer the test.

The test itself is free and available on weekdays to anyone who's enrolled at Kaipara Medical Centre. If people develop symptoms during the weekend they're encouraged to visit one of the community testing stations.

A list of where to go is available at [www.adhb.health.nz](http://www.adhb.health.nz).

Debbie says for the most part the community has been really understanding and following the rules appropriately.

"We really appreciate people wearing masks when they come to visit, and their good humour and patience while they wait to be seen," she says.

"We hope the pandemic is under control swiftly, but the most important thing is for people to feel confident to come and get a test and for us all to look out for each other."

She also wants to remind people not to put off their other health needs with immunisations, smears and diabetes checks all important and still available.

## Rural scholarship applications

Applications for the 2020 Helensville A&P Association Rural Scholarship close on Saturday, October 31.

Aimed at locals interested in pursuing a career in New Zealand's primary industry sector, it provides a \$500 scholarship for a person who is going to undertake at least one year of full time study at an applicable institution.

The scholarship is seen as fitting in well with the A&P Association's aim of fostering excellence in agriculture in the local area.

Prospective applicants can contact the show office on 420 7572 or email: [info@helensvilleshow.co.nz](mailto:info@helensvilleshow.co.nz). Full information, along with an application form, is available online at: <https://bit.ly/2BHtZJK>.



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# Locals targeted by scams

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Locals have been targeted by sophisticated scams, says Helensville Citizens Advice Bureau board secretary Rani Timoti.

"Sophisticated and professional presentations have been occurring in the Helensville district, mainly through phone calls," says Rani.

"Local police say scams are covered under fraud and cases are investigated."

Rani says the Helensville CAB provides a non-judgemental, confidential and supportive service if people need help. CAB volunteers can access a national database which includes detailed information about scams, including from official sources.

"Appearing as roses, scams hurt like thorns,

often damaging people with heart-wrenching consequences," says Rani. "Many have been deceived by scams which emotionally capture and entrance victims, pull on the heart-strings and make promises which are never kept."

From romance and pledges of friendship to winning money or inheriting a legacy, scams can wind their way into people's lives. The shame of losing money, finding out a romantic interest is fake, or even having their identity stolen means many people don't even report the fraud. However, Rani says reporting scams is the best defence, especially to organisations like NetSafe and Cert NZ.



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## from the frontline

Recently I have seen a few reports of scammers targeting locals. Learning how to protect yourself and your money is key.

Scams can include investment, phishing, business and email scams. These are becoming more sophisticated and it's often difficult to tell if they are genuine or not. Their emails often look and sound professional and use logos of organisations you trust. They usually ask you to provide personal details or to follow a link - don't!

Romance scams target your compassionate side. Scammers may make contact through email, social media, dating websites and other apps. They usually spend time getting to know you, then will likely ask you to transfer money to help with an emergency, or for airfares so they can come and see you - which they will not do.

Others scams include IRD, identity theft, door to door, health and medical, and purchase of merchandise scams.

Remember - NEVER send money to someone you haven't met in person, or to any person or organisation who asks you for money via text or email.

Don't give your personal details or passwords to someone who contacts you. Banks, the IRD, and reputable organisations will never ask you for your personal information through email or text.

If you are unsure, contact the organisation directly, but never use the

contact details they provide or follow links in their emails. Make sure to keep your computer antivirus up to date, and use strong passwords.

If you have sent money and you think you've been scammed, contact your bank immediately, and then contact either the police, Netsafe or CERT NZ to lodge a complaint. Police will investigate the fraud where possible, but often there is little chance you will recover your money.

For up to date information, advice or to report a scam you can contact any of the following agencies:

- Netsafe: [www.netsafe.org.nz](http://www.netsafe.org.nz) (all scams)
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- NZ Police: Phone 105 or contact your local police station.

Any questions, please email me at: [melissa.haven@police.govt.nz](mailto:melissa.haven@police.govt.nz).

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# A&P Show Spring Craft Day

The Helensville A&P Association's annual Winter Series has transformed this year into a Show Spring Craft Day.

Previously held over a three-month period, this year's winter series became too difficult to organise around Covid-19 lockdowns, so the decision was made to hold a single competition on Saturday, September 12.

With adult and child (15 and under) classes covering floral art, baking and knitting/crochet the Spring Craft Day is aimed, like the Winter Series before it, to keep locals interested in their annual A&P show during the off-season.

The full list of classes is:

- **Adult Floral** - Floral Art with Wood (no size restriction); Decoration in a Jug (any size); Your Floral Lockdown Specialty.
- **Adult Baking** - Something Lemony; Your Lockdown Loaf (bread); Brownie.
- **Adult Crochet/Knitting** - Knitted Shawl; Crocheted Blanket; Your Best Lockdown Item (either knitted or crocheted).
- **Child Floral** - Floral Decoration with your Favourite Toy; Jam Jar of Garden Flowers.
- **Child Baking** - Chocolate Chip Cookie; Cupcake Decorated as a Flower.
- **Child Craft** - Art & Craft Sheep (from any combination of materials).

Entries cost \$3, and should be dropped at the showgrounds hall on the day between 10am and 10.50am. Judging will start at 11am, with results and viewing available around 11.30am. Entries may be collected from 11.45am. Entrants are invited to stay for morning tea while the judging takes place. All entries should be removed by midday.

There's prize money of \$15 for first place, \$10 for second and \$5 for third in the adult competition, and for children \$10 for first place, \$5 for second and \$3 for third.

For more information phone Julie Croft on 420 7941 or Shona Addison on 021 0222 3044.



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## from our local MP

A friend on the 'other side' of politics recently asked me for advice. An ardent Labour supporter (and one-time candidate), I presumed she wasn't about to ask me whether she should vote National!

In fact, she wanted to advise some other people how best to lobby MPs. That made me think about all the great conversations I've had over the last three years with many Helensville folk. It may sound corny, but the best bit about being a local MP is the chance to meet people and hear their stories.



Some people are doing it really tough, emotionally or physically (or both), without most of us having any idea what they're going through. Often people have exhausted every other option before they walk through my electorate office doors. On the other hand, I've met so many ordinary-yet-extraordinary Kiwis doing wonderful work in our area to help those in need - again, that most of us would be unaware of - that my faith in human nature has never been fuller.

Answering my friend, I suggested that persuading MPs is most effective when the appeal is framed in personal terms. By 'personal' I mean we're always at our most persuasive when we think how every decision will affect every person. I've tried to practise what I preach.

An example is transport infrastructure. Rather than emphasise the merits of roading improvements from the perspective of 'efficiency' and mere lines on a map, I like to talk about the benefits of Helensville workers spending more time with their kids at the start and end of each day - and returning home safely - as the reason we need better transport infrastructure. It's sometimes successful and sometimes not, but I'm convinced it's the right approach.

I've enjoyed my journey as a local MP these past three years, and all the more for the conversations I've had with the good people of Helensville and surrounding areas. Thank you, and best wishes.

- Chris Penk, MP for Helensville



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# local board matters

Are you a tank water user?

Here are three things to consider ahead of another predicted dry summer:

1/ Understand your usage. Fit a tank level indicator and monitor usage in the periods between significant rain events. You need to know your normal usage and then learn what steps you can take to reduce it to make your water storage last longer.

2/ Consider additional storage capacity NOW. Adding extra capacity will reduce your need for water deliveries during long dry periods. However there's no point investing in additional storage unless it is installed before the summer. There are often lead times for delivery of new tanks and installers need to be booked as well. If you are considering increased capacity, act now...

3/ Lastly, don't leave it until the last minute to book a water delivery. Water carriers will be very busy this coming summer just as they were last.

Helensville is currently unaffected by the

water restrictions that apply to Watercare's metro network as it has its own independent supply.

However, last summer huge demand from tank water suppliers meant at times the filling station had its flow limited to ensure adequate pressure for fire hydrants. This slowed down deliveries making the demand situation worse. This situation will repeat itself this summer if there is another drought.

Some people have asked why Watercare doesn't make a guaranteed provision for rural tank users? The simple answer is because Watercare's services and infrastructure are paid for by its urban customers. To hook up to the urban supply requires an infrastructure growth charge fee of thousands of dollars, and then there are ongoing annual fees and water charges. These are not paid for by rural tank water users though general council rates - urban water supply is a user-pays service. For Watercare to cater to rural users they would have to work out how much water was required. There would need to be a charging regime and it would probably have to be an 'everyone in' service. Those on tank supply that manage OK through droughts are unlikely to be happy about that sort of arrangement.

Council is looking at how it can help with rural supply by developing extra capacity from suitable private bores. If you have one and would be interested in discussing this with Council please contact me and I can put you in touch with the right staff.

Emergency 20 litre filling stations will be available this summer, however the supplementary tanker service provided will not be due to budget cuts. This is why we urge people to think about their tank supply now; leaving it until the end of the year or mid-summer will be too late!



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## TRIVIAL PURSUIT EVENING

Kaukapakapa Scout Group holds its annual Trivial Pursuit evening on Saturday, September 12 in the Kaukapakapa Hall.

The always-popular event is a major fundraiser for the local scout group, raising money for national schools and events, as well as replacing camping equipment. It will feature prizes for the best themed table, and for the winning team. There will be silent auctions and raffles throughout the evening, plus a return of the 'toss a coin' game.

Doors open at 6.30pm for a 7pm start. Tickets cost \$20, with teams of eight to 12 people. BYO drinks and nibbles, with a light supper provided. To book tickets phone or text Emma on 021 707 835, or email [trivanighttix@gmail.com](mailto:trivanighttix@gmail.com).

## KAUKAPAKAPA MARKET

The next Kaukapakapa market on Sunday, September 20 from 8.30am to 1pm will feature live music from talented duo 'Take 2'. There will be coffee and food stalls selling donuts, cakes, pies, and sandwiches, a sausage sizzle, and more. For the children there will be free face painting and a craft/activity table. Local crafts will be on offer, along with bargains in the car boot area, plus the Lions book stall. For those with a green thumb there will be locally grown plants, native trees, potted colour and vegetable seedlings, and fresh locally grown fruit and vegetables.

For more information phone Sarah on 0274 831 542 or email her at: [sarah1@maxnet.co.nz](mailto:sarah1@maxnet.co.nz).

## Help sought tracing descendants

Kaukapakapa's historic All Saints cemetery is showing the ravages of time and needs your help.

As a first stage, eight of the worst affected graves have been selected for repair. These headstones have fallen down and broken; they will be cleaned, drilled, pinned, rejoined and then refitted onto their existing bases by Thompson Memorials.

Finding descendants can be challenging, and that's where it is hoped locals will be able to help. The eight graves belong to:

- Mary Hannah Mumford, died 1930's
- Maria Cox, died 1912
- Frances, John & Agnes McLeod, died 1919, 1911, 1884
- Annie Drinnan, died 1917
- Margaret Hooper, died 1935
- Ann Elizabeth McGuire, died 1936

- Ralph and Sarah Osbaldiston, died 1904, 1912
- Violet Ellen Jones, née Rapson, died 1898.

Some of these families may have moved from the area, but it is hoped enough descendants can be found who are willing to contribute towards the cost of the restoration.

"We need these people resting in peace, not pieces," says Megan Paterson.

Any descendants of these people are asked to phone Megan on 021 959 017, Zarnie Fergusson on 022 437 4514, or Grev Walker on 021 0829 0768 for more information.

On Sunday, September 13 - weather and lockdown permitting - the New Zealand Remembrance Army, an arm of the RSA, will be cleaning and restoring the 29 veteran graves at the All Saints Kaukapakapa cemetery.

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