

Karikari Panui

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Happy New Year; Xīnnián hǎo

Kia ora and a Happy New Year to all residents and visitors to Karikari Peninsula. A warm welcome to those who have recently arrived in this beautiful spot. Groups and activities will be commencing soon –there is something for everyone.

Cyclone Gabrielle looks like its heading our way. Nina Raharuhi from our local civil defence says “Civil Defence Northland have advised us to prepare as best we can for the upcoming cyclone. The focus now is yourselves, whanau and our community to prepare. Stock up on necessities including medications and fuelling/filling your vehicles if in a position to do so. Allow for at least 5 days of being without power.” Stay updated through Civil Defence Northland Facebook, TV & radio.

Chinese New Year 2023 is a **Year of the Rabbit**, more specifically, Water Rabbit, starting from January 22nd, 2023, and lasting until February 9th, 2024. When people meet friends, relatives, colleagues, and even strangers during the festive period, they usually say “Xīnnián hǎo” literally meaning 'New Year Goodness', or “Xīnnián kuàilè” meaning ‘Happy Chinese New Year’.

A message from the Rural Fire Force: *It's with huge relief that we are this far through the holiday season and no major call-outs like we experienced the last two years. I put this down to all our local residents sharing with visitors the importance of the fireworks ban and permitted fires only. Certainly the wet weather played a part, but with windy conditions drying out fire-fuels after one or two days the fire risk was certainly there again. So thanks everyone for your support during our most dangerous time of the year. PS; conditions at the moment are heading towards high risk again so your awareness will be much appreciated.*

Thomson and the guys at your local fire brigade.

Census Day is March 7

The census is a nationwide survey that happens every five years to understand more about life in New Zealand and how it is changing. Paper census forms will be available in a range of accessible formats, including a Large Print version that can be printed on demand. Information to help people complete the census will also be available in alternate formats such as New Zealand Sign Language, Braille-ready files, audio, and Easy Read.

Stats NZ will deliver instructions about how to do the 2023 Census to every place where people live or stay. Look out for these instructions from February 2023 and hopefully it will be more organised this time.

The Karikari Fire Brigade will deliver water across the peninsula. Charges are per 5,000 litres: \$130.00 for local area and \$140.00 to Rangiputa. To order contact 0274501080 with your details and make payment to Bank account: KKFB 12 3096 0027374 00. Include name and address in reference. Please keep check of your water tank as you may be disappointed if same day delivery is not possible. Please note: there are **No Sunday Deliveries**.

Wet Wipes: these go in the rubbish not through the sewer system!

A huge thanks to all our supporters, including Rural Delivery who ensure the hard-copy of the Panui gets into letter-boxes, and the contributors to this edition. Your help is much appreciated.

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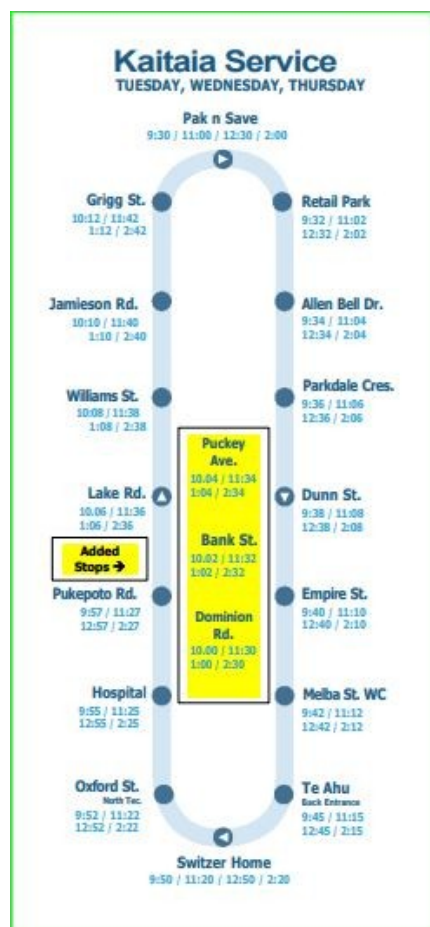
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Shoppers' Bus Service



With the fuel subsidy due to be removed in the near future, residents might be interested to know more about the Far North Link bus service available.

There is a Shoppers' Run every Tuesday morning; the designated bus-stop is at the Rock House at the end of the peninsula. You are able to park your vehicle in the grounds.

For more details contact:
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	Mon to Fri	Tuesday Only
Mangonui Wiltons Garage	6:55am	9:15am
Coopers Beach Sth Sports Store	7:01am	9:21am
Coopers Beach Nth Block Rd	7:04am	9:24am
Cable Bay Store	7:08am	9:28am
Taipa SH10 Shops	7:10am	9:30am
Karikari The Rockhouse	7:20am	9:40am
Kaingaroa Community Hall	7:28am	9:48am
Awanui Superette	7:36am	9:56am
Whangatane Drive Collards	7:43am	10:03am
Pak'n'Save	7:46am	10:06am
Wayfarer Motel	7:49am	10:09am
Melba Street Toilets	7:52am	10:12am
Te Ahu Back Entrance	7:55am	10:15am
Hospital Main Entrance	7:58am	10:18am

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	Single Trip	Students	10 Trip
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Mangonui - Taipa to Kaitaia	\$5.00	\$3.25	\$45.00
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Awanui - Kaitaia			
Awanui - Kaitaia Hospital	\$3.00	\$2.00	
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	Mon to Fri	Tuesday Only
Hospital Main Entrance	5:05pm	1:00pm
Te Ahu Back Entrance	5:08pm	1:03pm
Melba Street Toilets	5:11pm	1:11pm
Beachcomber Restaurant	5:14pm	1:14pm
Pak'n'Save	5:17pm	1:17pm
Whangatane Drive Collards	5:20pm	1:20pm
Awanui Hotel/Motel	5:27pm	1:27pm
Kaingaroa Community Hall	5:35pm	1:35pm
Karikari The Rockhouse	5:43pm	1:43pm
Taipa SH10 Tavern	5:53pm	1:53pm
Cable Bay Opposite Store	5:55pm	1:55pm
Coopers Beach Nth Block Rd	5:59pm	1:59pm
Coopers Beach Sth Four Square	6:02pm	2:02pm
Mangonui Wiltons Garage	6:08pm	2:13pm

Karikari Book Exchange

Introducing the Karikari Peninsula Book Exchange!

This was kindly made and donated by the students at Kaitaia Intermediate School for a recent community project. It is located along Tokerau Beach Road, on the right heading north and between several bottlebrush shrubs.

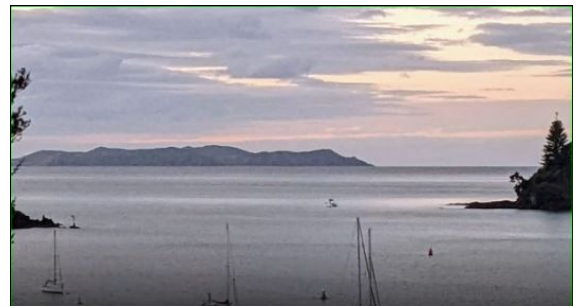
Feel free to take a book or leave one for someone else to enjoy! Please make sure the latch is firmly shut to keep the books dry, and please don't leave boxes of books on the ground where they could be damaged by the weather.

Happy reading!



Right:
Introducing a new Facebook page for aspiring writers and poets.

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Market Day

Thank you to the stall holders and our local Hall supporters for arriving at the Karikari community Hall market day despite the weather. We really appreciated your support. We managed to raise \$1521.00 which was fantastic, considering the weather so thanks again everyone. Stay safe in this terrible weather, Judy Billington.

Market Day raffle winners ...

- *Robin Anderson won the Feather Wall Hanging
- *Leena Taylor won the Purple Hair Care Bundle
- *Mary Watkins won the Scratchies
- *Mary Foley won the Pork Roast in a Waikawa Basket

Many thanks to all ticket buyers as your support is essential to keep our Community Hall ticking along. Thank you to all the stall Holders, Committee members and people who came to visit today; that made the market a success. See you all at the next market Easter Sunday 9th April, Debera Mcleod.

Below: Some of the dedicated Hall committee team working at the raffle table.
Right: Robin with her raffle prize.





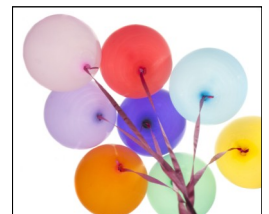
There was something for everyone at the recent market day.

The next one on Easter Sunday 9th April will be even bigger!

Community Hall Brick Fundraiser

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A cautionary tale

We've all seen the stories of people getting scammed. Just last week we read that a prominent entertainer had been fleeced of 100k in an elaborate investment hoax.

What I am about to share is small in comparison. However, the end result can be just as devastating for someone whose income and savings are smaller.

And it is not technically a scam, in that people do receive the product. But the way these companies go about selling their goods is deceitful. The reason for writing this is to warn other people from making the same mistake as I did... twice.

I bought both products from advertisements on Facebook. Both were supposedly Australian companies selling health products, in my case, to clean arteries and reduce cholesterol.

The ad started off with a believable blurb, peeking interest. They then offered the product at a heavily-reduced rate, in this case \$39 per bottle. That seemed OK and I proceeded to the next stage, which involved filling out the bankcard details. Now, in every other legitimate transaction, one is shown the amount one is paying and can then make the choice of whether to proceed through checkout. I assumed that would occur when I pushed 'next', bringing up a new page. Instead, they offered a further product which I didn't want. Not surprisingly, the 'not-now' button didn't work, and there was no back option. I figured it was only another \$30, so I pushed 'buy'.

My advice to readers is to abandon the transaction before pushing this button. Once done, the transaction becomes complete with the buyer still not having been shown how much they have bought or the amount charged.

In my case, I thought I was buying one bottle of product and the second bottle of something else, totaling \$79.

Instead, I received an email to say I had purchased five bottles, costing \$212.

But it got even worse when I checked my bankcard to find a deduction of \$351. A further cost of \$71 for the second product was taken out the next day, totaling \$422.

There was also no mention anywhere of the currency being in US dollars. One would assume an Australian company would be dealing in Australian dollars. It appears that this is American driven, operating through an Australian base.


I tried to stop the order but was told it was already on its way, which was a lie because I received an email two days later to say it was now dispatched. I did, however, manage to get a deduction of \$200 on my order. I could have followed an elaborate return process once I received the product but I wasn't sure if I would ever get any refund if I did it this way.

The problem with this type of selling is that one is not told the currency. American dollars are nearly double NZ dollars. The buyer is not shown how much product has been purchased or the total cost of their transaction before it becomes complete. This is especially problematic because one thinks they are only partway through the process, as they would be in any other normal internet deal.

Why did I make the same mistake twice? That's a good question. I totally forgot about the first experience, not recalling it until I saw the deduction in my bank account, then it all came back. The companies were different but the method identical.

Readers beware.

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Date	Time	Location
Wednesday 22 February	10am - 3pm	Coopers Beach Bowling Club 234 State Highway 10, Coopers Beach 0420
Thursday 2 March	11am - 2pm	Taipa Rugby Club, East Street, Taipa 0483
Tuesday 7 March	11am - 2pm	Karikari Community Hall 16 Matai Bay Road, Karikari Peninsula 0483
Thursday 16 March	4pm - 6pm	Rangiputa Fire Station 699 Rangiputa Road, Karikari Peninsula

If you have any questions, please email submissions@fndc.govt.nz.

Request for Service

Did you know that you can initiate a Request for Service from FNDC if you see any of their assets requiring attention? To make an RFS simply phone 0800 920029 or follow the prompts on their website:

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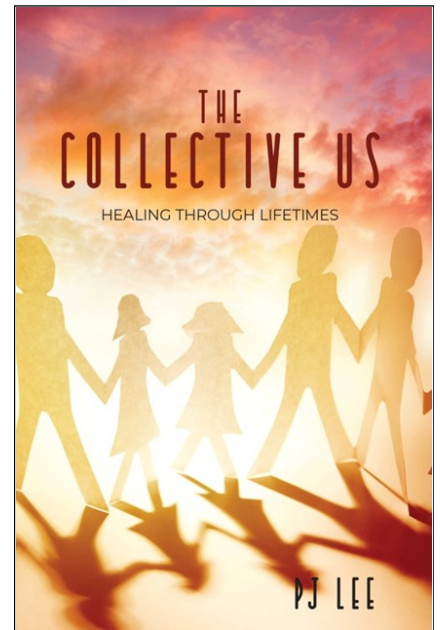
1. Lodge an incident report with the Police on the Crime Reporting Line: 105 ASAP

2. Send an email to cctvkarikari@gmail.com and contact northlandcctv.co.nz or 09 407 8788 with the following information ASAP:

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- Your contact details
- Incident date and approx timeframes
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Karikari Community Library: Open Thursdays 10am-1pm at the Hall. Come and get your reading supplies. \$2 a year subscription. New books, Puzzles, DVDs and magazines in regularly.

Karikari Crafters: 10am on 1st Monday of the month. Contact Barbara 021 1864 442 or Leanne 021 1138 139 for information. Beginning again 13 February 2023.

Karikari Garden Club: 1st Tuesday of the month. Contact Debera 027 4437 169 or Leigh 09 408 7229.

Karikari Indoor Bowls: Karikari Community Hall; Mon + Weds from 12:45 pm. For more information contact Dot 027 4867 486.

Karikari Hall Committee: meets first Tuesday of the month at 6pm at the hall. Chairperson: Judy Billington; 021 282 4597. Secretary: Sally Shirkie; Bookings: Nina Raharuhi; 021 038 0394.

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Karikari Peninsula Residents and Ratepayers Association: Chairperson: Brian Page; 09 408 7197 or 027 322 1652. Treasurer/Secretary: Lesley McCormick; 027 7413230. Meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7.00pm at the Hall. All are welcome. Subs are \$15 a year per family. Pay to: ASB 12-3096-0035251-00. Please include your family name as reference.

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