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KARIKARI COMMUNITY HALL

Have your say...

The Community Hall Committee has called a public meeting to be held **at 7pm on Tuesday 18 November** to seek the views of the community on how the Hall should be insured.

Our insurers have advised that there are two alternatives for how the Hall can be insured going forwards:



1. Full replacement cost, or
2. Insurance based on a lesser level of cover

What is the difference?

It means that should the hall be lost in a disaster, such as a fire, full replacement would mean that an insurance policy would cover the building of a complete replacement for the existing hall.

The alternative would mean cover for a significant chunk of a replacement but the community would need to fund raise for most of the cost of replacement. This could take years, with no guarantee how much would be contributed by Far North District Council or any other donor, if at all.

It should not surprise that full replacement insurance is much more expensive, and would amount to a significant proportion of the total available funds of the Hall Committee in the future. Once the Hall Committee is registered as an incorporated society it may have more fund raising options to cover the insurance cost, but nothing is guaranteed.

Accordingly, the Committee and its insurers believe that it is essential to know what the views of the community are before making any commitment for the cost of insurance.

Let's have a serious, informed discussion.



Special points of interest:

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- Crimestoppers NZ: 0800 555 111
- Healthline: 0800 611 116. Free 24 hour health advice when you need it.

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What's been happening:



Zumba Glow evening 2025

'Zumba Glow 2025' was inspired by members of our local ratepayers committee and gave attendants the opportunity to see what goes on in the small, yet busy community of Whatuwhiwhi.

It also raised funds for local service groups including the Hall, CCTV and the Man Shed on Simon Urlich Road (photo of groups below).

Prizes were awarded accordingly by guest instructors and positive feedback was received from attendees on social media.

This event was made possible with the support of:

- The Hall Committee (Venue)
- Far North Zumba (Instructors)
- Ngāti Kahu Station Trust (Prize Sponsor)
- Noel Leeming Kaitaia (Prize Sponsor)

Hall and Community Groups

Karikari Community Hall News

Be sure to join us for the discussion Tuesday 18th November at 7pm

Hall Bookings

Sandi Kogler
kkchallbookings@gmail.com

Karikari Community Hall Brick Fundraiser

For just \$50 you can support the Hall by purchasing a Brick to be displayed in the Hall with your name on it.
To order yours ph Barbara 021 1864 442.
Have a look at the new bricks installed in the Hall.

Fire Ban: Restricted

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If you want to get an update on the fire ban see [Can I light a fire](https://checkitsalright.nz) at checkitsalright.nz

Private fireworks are also banned on the Karikari Peninsula.

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Tokerau Beach Book Exchange

This wonderful little community resource is ready for you! It's always heartwarming to see how the community comes together to keep it stocked and cared for.

Stop by and choose a book or two to enjoy — there's something for every age and interest. And when you're done, why not add a book or two for others to enjoy?



Karikari Peninsula Residents and Ratepayers next meeting is February 2026 at the Hall. All welcome.
(bi monthly)

The Karikari Community Library at the Hall

Open every Thursday from 10am to 2pm and now Monday 10am-1pm every Monday; except for the first Monday of each month when the Mobile Library will visit. Books for all ages, puzzles and DVDs. \$2 a year to join.



Important notices:

CCTV Cape Karikari

Due to the winding up of the Karikari Residents incorporated society CCTV Cape Karikari has had to change their bank account

New account name and number is:

Karikari Peninsula CCTV Project 12 3096 0049821-00

The old account will be **closed after the end of November** so if people could update their payment details asap this would be much appreciated.



Any donations towards this useful service would be greatly appreciated.

Lets keep this service going. You never know when you might need it...

The unseen danger of sand caves (a reminder with summer coming)



Did you know ... that a cubic metre of sand weighs between 1.5 and 2 tonnes?

Dry sand weighs less than wet sand. At 1.5 tonnes, a cubic metre of dry sand is the same weight as a typical family car, a hippopotamus or an average sized great white shark. At 2 tonnes, a cubic metre of wet sand is the same weight as a white rhinoceros, a small tractor or a double cab ute.

This photo shows what a square meter looks like. It isn't very big is it? So imagine the same shape in the dune – and you have up to 2 tonnes of sand sitting above the cave.

Sand caves not only damage sand dunes, but they put lives at risk when they collapse. Wet sand caves can give the illusion of structural integrity and therefore being safe. However, there is no safe sand cave. As sand dries it gets weaker and any sand cave can collapse without warning.

And, of course, when a sand cave collapses that part of the dune collapses as well. For those of us living by the beach, those fragile dunes are our first line of defence against the ocean.

But there is one thing we know for sure: every hole will collapse sooner or later, and the dune around it will follow. Teach your kids and ask any visitors to respect our dunes.





Labour day Market 2025



The labour weekend market 2025 at the Community Hall was a huge success with a record number of stalls (and funds raised for the Community Hall).



In addition to (losing) raffle tickets this correspondent was very happy with the purchase of fresh herbs (now thriving in the garden), fabulous local asparagus and a selection of books!

A word from the Karikari Hall and Community Centre

Thanks to all supporters for coming along to our market today and making it a very successful fundraising day for the hall.

Lucky winners of raffles are ...



Olive oil sponsored by Koru Olives - Kellys

Scratchies sponsored by Whatuwhiwhi Top10 - Ali.

Gift basket donated by a local - Tim.

Pork Roast in Waikawa basket sponsored by Katalina and Paul of Karikari Lodge - Holloway





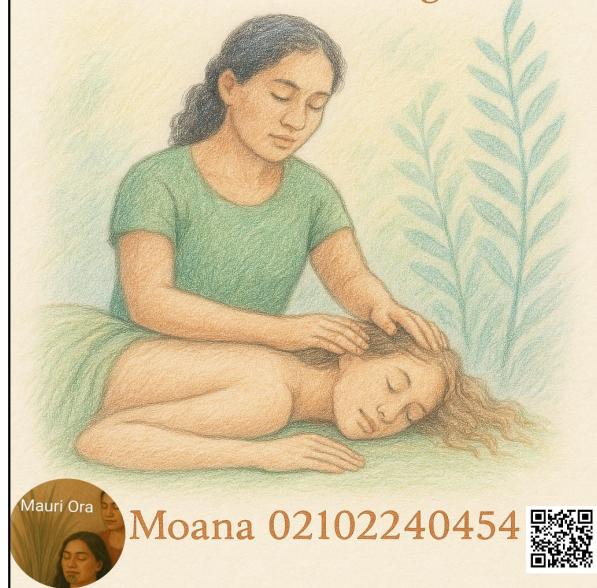

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Each edition we will look to include some general legal information. This is what happens when you let two lawyers on the editorial team! This does not constitute legal advice as everyone's circumstances may be different. Community law provides free legal services thought New Zealand [Taitokerau - Community Law](#)

Law Corner



Marriages are a happy occasion!

However, it is important that anyone who is getting married, or entering into a civil union needs to know that unless the person has made a will in contemplation of the marriage or civil union, the marriage or civil union will revoke the will. This occurs due to the provision of section 18 of the Wills Act 2007.

Where a will is revoked the Administration Act 1969 determines how the assets are distributed on death.

Fish and Tomatoes

This is super easy fish meal that makes the most of local catch.

Ingredients (for 2 serves)

2T oil and 2T butter

2 fish fillets

2 cloves of garlic (crushed or finely chopped)

1 red chilli chopped (optional)

1 punnet cherry tomatoes

4T white wine or water

2 T capers

1 small handfull fresh parsley (chopped)

Method

Heat the oil and butter in a lidded frying pan, add the fish and brown one side. Turn the fish over, add the rest of the ingredients, turn the heat down and put the lid on. Cook until the fish is cooked through.

Drizzle the pan juices over the fish and serve with cooked greens or a side salad.

Recipes

Each edition will include a locally inspired recipe. We would love to know if you try one. Please send us photos of your successes and failures!



How about some history of our area

“Doubtless a Bay”? And other historical myths...

Doubtless Bay features in the stories of a number of maritime explorers of the past.

The naming of Doubtless Bay is correctly ascribed to Captain James Cook on HM Bark Endeavour in December 1769 – 256 years next month.

Information and excerpts taken from ‘The Journals of Captain Cook; The voyage of the Endeavour, 1768-1771 Cambridge University Press for the Hakluyt Society

So did Cook say “doubtless a bay” in his journal? Nice story, and he may even have said it to his officers and crew, but no it isn’t in his journal, or in the ship’s log. The journal entry says:

SATURDAY 9th. PM had a gentle breeze at West which in the evening came to south and continued so all night, this by day light in the Morning brought us pretty well in with the land 7 Leagues to the westward of the Cavalle Isles and where lies a deep Bay runing in SWBW and WSW, the bottom of which we could but just see and there the land appear’d to be low and level; the two points which form the entrance lie WNW and ESE 5 Miles from each other. This Bay I have

1769] named *Doubtless Bay*.¹ The wind not permitting us to look into this Bay we steer’d for the westermost land we had in sight which bore from us WNW distant 3 Leagues but before we got the length of it it fell calm and continued so untill 10 oClock when a breeze sprung up at West NW and with it we stood off North. While we lay becalm’d several of the Natives came off to the Ship in five Canoes, but were fearfull of ventering along side, after these were gone Six more came off these last came boldly along side and sold fish of different sorts sufficient to give all hands a little.

At Noon the Cavalle Isles bore SSW distant 8 Leagues and the Entrence of Doubtless Bay SW distant 3 Leagues, and the nor-west extremity of the land in sight, which we judge to be the Main bore NWBW. Our Latitude by obserⁿ was 34°44' S.

Cook was indeed sure that it was a bay, because he could clearly see the distant dunes of the Karikari Peninsula isthmus.

For those who are date minded, the normal convention of the time was to measure dates from noon to noon, which were obviously more readily observable than midnight to midnight. However, whether Cook named Doubtless Bay on the 9th or the 10th of December is less important than noting the other explorer of the day, de Surville, who would visit in more controversial circumstances just 8 days later. Neither Cook nor de Surville had any idea the other was so close by.

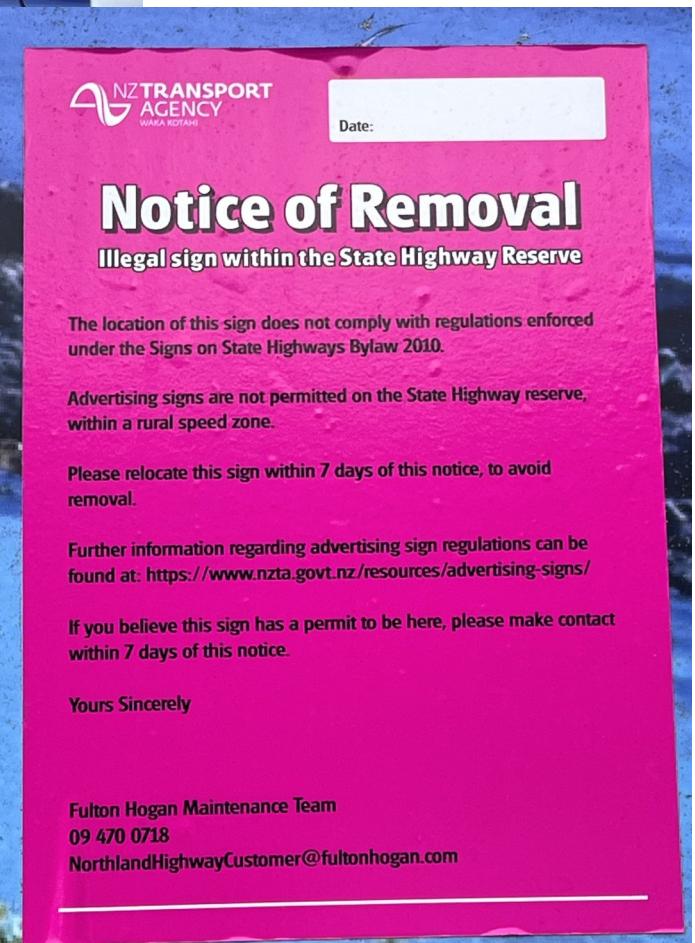




doubtless bay beach paradise



One of our readers has sent in this photo to us, indicating that this sign (located west of the intersection of Inland Road and State Highway 10) is to be removed by NZTA. A closer look at the pink sticker is below:



Do you want to write something? Share a story? Taken a great photo?

Kia ora, Karikari whānau!

The Karikari Pānui is your community's voice, and we need your help to keep it thriving! Whether you've got a story to share, some great photos, local news, or even a shoutout to a neighbour, we'd love to hear from you.

Our newsletter relies on your contributions to reflect the richness and diversity of our beautiful Karikari Peninsula. By sending in content, you help us bring local news, events, and stories to life, and make the Pānui something everyone looks forward to receiving.

So, if you've got something on your mind or camera roll, don't be shy — submit your content! It could be a tale about a recent adventure, a favourite recipe, or a snapshot of our stunning scenery. No idea is too small, and every piece helps us fill the pages with what matters most to our community.

To contribute, simply email your content to contact@karikaripanui.nz. We'll do our best to feature as much as possible in the next issue.

Don't worry if you're not great with words we are happy to sort it out. We are also usually happy to publish anonymously if you're a bit shy.

Thank you for helping to make the Karikari Pānui a true reflection of our community spirit. Together, we can keep it vibrant and full of life!

Ngā mihi nui, The Karikari Pānui Team

The Koha Legal Clinic is held at the Karikari Community Centre the first Saturday of each month (apart from January) from 9am to 10.30am. Anyone who can't attend at that time, or who would prefer to get advice over the phone, can make an appointment for a phone call from the lawyer by e-mailing contact@karikaripanui.nz.

You can ask the lawyer for legal advice regarding any legal matter apart from criminal matters and driving offences.



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CCTV Project

CCTV Project on-going support—Donations are still needed to pay for on-going maintenance etc.

Make your donation to **Karikari Peninsula CCTV Project**:

CCTV Project ASB **12 3096 0049821-00** Include your name and CCTV for reference.

Email: cctvkarikari@gmail.com

Process for Accessing CCTV Footage:

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:

Your name, Address, Incident number (from Police), Your contact details

Incident date and approx. timeframes, Brief explanation of incident and what you want them to look for.

3. The CCTV monitoring team will respond to your query and begin the search. This may take up to 3-4 business days due to workload.

4. The CCTV Team will respond with outcomes and if applicable will provide footage/images to police to accompany the file. Footage will be provided on a case-by-case basis. The Team must adhere to privacy policies and procedures and must ensure all information is provided in the strictest of confidence.

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Clubs and Activities.

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All Saints Anglican Church (off Wairahoraho Rd) Phone Rev. Robert Urlich 09 946 7564.

Karikari Book Club: Ph Mary 0274 490 7607. 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7pm. An informal group who share their enjoyment of reading books and the occasional movie.

Karikari Community Library: Open Thursdays 10am-1pm at the Hall. Come and get your reading supplies. \$2 a year subscription. Books, Puzzles, DVDs and magazines in regularly.

Karikari Crafters: 10am on 2nd Monday in month. Contact Barbara 021 1864 442 or Cushla 021646309 for information.

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

Karikari Indoor Bowls: Karikari Community Hall; Weds from 12.50pm. For more information contact Dot 027 4867 486.

Karikari Hall Committee: meets first Tuesday of the month at 6pm at the hall.

Chairperson: Wayne Groves 0272772230. Deputy Chair - Caroline Neame 021414108

Secretary - Julie Deyer 0276752424

Bookings: Nina Raharuhu; 021 038 0394.

Line dancing: Karikari Community Hall; Intermediate: Sunday 10.30am; Beginners: Thursdays at 10:30am. Gold coin Koha. Tutor: Joy Hatcher. Mobile 021 407 855. Great fun and easy beginner's dances. Social and fun interaction for all ages.

Karikari Peninsula Residents and Ratepayers Association: Chairperson: Michael Urlich; 021 253 5869. Treasurer: Lesley McCormick; 027 741 3230. Esther Stone. Secretary.

Meets every 3rd Tuesday every **second month (bimonthly)** 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. The next meeting is 9 September at 7pm at the Hall.

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