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THE DAWN OF A NEW DAY

ANZAC 2020

It was the dawn of another new day during these unusual times but Anzac Day 2020 in Matarangi while different, was truly special. This year there was no parade down Matarangi Drive to the Fire Station for the usual Anzac Service but our special little village still found ways to embrace the day. People started preparing, decorating their mail boxes, displaying poppies in their windows or making Anzac Lanterns. There was no way that this important day in our country was going unnoticed.

In the dark, one by one people in their bubbles, silently bearing their lit lanterns ambled down to the beach. Young and old all rugged up wearing scarves, jackets and beanies all with a common purpose, to pay homage for those who fought for our freedom.

There they spread out along our beautiful 4 km beach many metres apart respecting the social distancing that is necessary in these times. It was a moment in time not to be missed and all who were there must have felt incredibly touched and blessed.

The sun started to rise and light up the sky in what must have been one of Matarangi's most beautiful sunrises ever. With it glowing over the Kuaotunu Hills and the Black Jack one even got the eerie feeling that you could have been looking at the sun rise over the headland of the Gallipoli Peninsula. People huddled together in their bubbles, and placed their lanterns in the sand. A long row of flickering lights spreading from one end of the beach to the other.

It was spine tingling when at 5.55 a.m. a lone piper walked down to the beach playing Amazing Grace. Then on the dot of six The Last Post could be heard playing from a nearby phone, followed by a minute's silence and Reveille, the bugle call that traditionally signals sunrise and the time for military to wake up.

The people then stayed, reflectively waiting until the sun was fully risen. Quietly as they came down, they then quietly left, walking back to the safety of their homes knowing that they had witnessed as a community, separate but unified, something truly beautiful and poignant.

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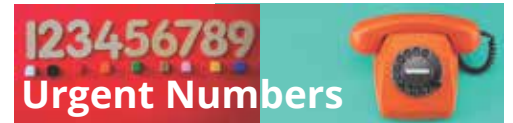
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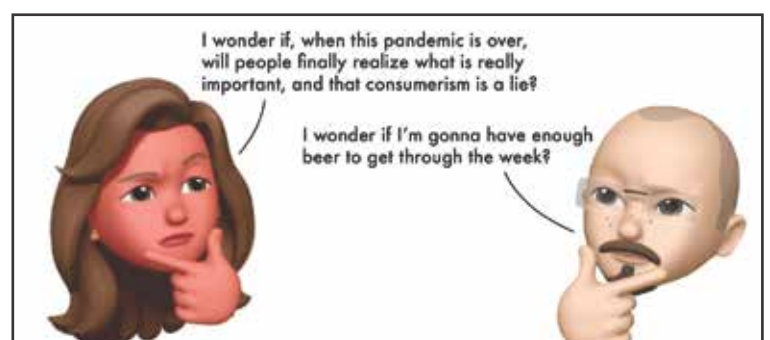
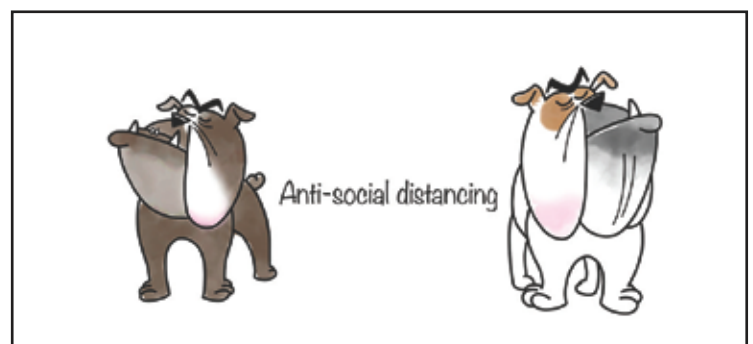
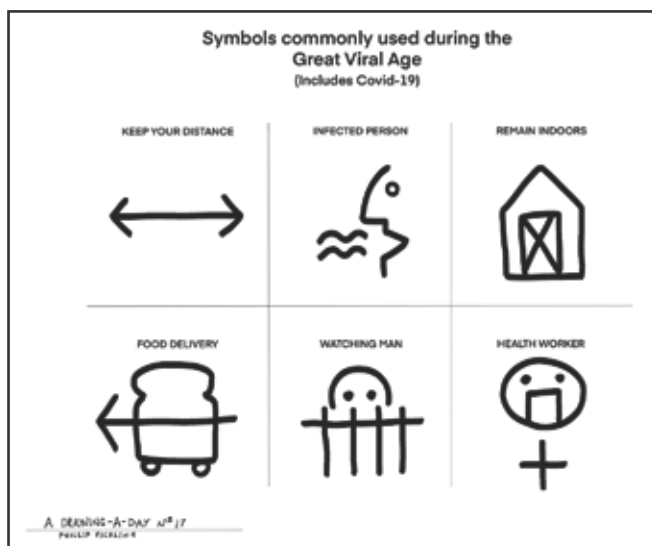
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Phillip's Covid 19 Cartoons

Artist and Paper Engineer, Phillip Fickling of Matarangi has over the Covid 19 lockdown period been doing some drawings and cartoons to keep his friends entertained. Phillip has kindly shared them with us!



THE SCHOOL BELL

Te Rerenga School has been an on-line learning school since late March. The children, their parents and teachers have embraced this new way of attending school. Children check in regularly with their teachers through google hangouts, completing the tasks set on line and have sent through lots of great photos and video clips. The school Facebook page has some video clips you may like to view. When we do eventually have face to face learning back at school, there will be many stories to tell and the opportunity to play and socialise with their friends will be appreciated by the children.

Te Rerenga School children annually reflect on ANZAC Day, with the school participating in the Matarangi ANZAC Service at the Fire Station; Children reading reflections, reciting prayers and laying a wreath. Unfortunately, this was unable to happen this year but the children were still encouraged to reflect on ANZAC Day through their on-line learning. Craft activities such as decorating lanterns, making poppies and wreaths and baking ANZAC biscuits were some of the activities they did. Blake James-White, Y7, was going to be one of the representatives of the school at the Matarangi ANZAC Service this year. This is the insightful reflection he wrote on ANZAC Day.

Hello my name is Blake James-White and I have been asked to speak on behalf of Te Rerenga School about what ANZAC Day means to me. To me ANZAC day is so horrible I don't want to think about it. ANZAC Day is a day when we remember all of the people who died in Gallipoli. 2779 New Zealanders, 8500 Australians and 10's of thousands more young men from around the world, were fighting to represent their countries and their freedoms. We were fighting to support the United Kingdom as we were considered one of their colonies. 100,000 New Zealanders went to fight in world war one, at the time the population of New Zealand was 1.1 million so that's roughly 10 percent of the population.

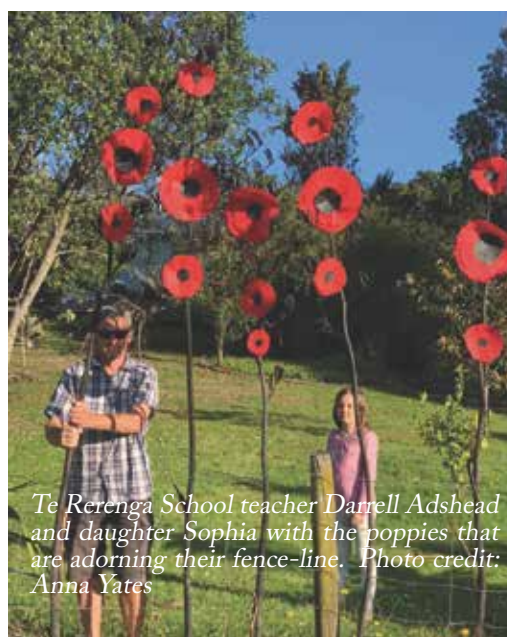
This time would have been filled with stress, horror and grief, both for the people fighting in the war and for the people waiting at home for their friends, husbands, fathers and sons to return. If they ever did. Every morning these people would have woken up wondering if their loved ones were alive or if something terrible had happened to them. These people at home would have been working twice as hard so they would have had no time to grieve if somebody they knew died.

Even when soldiers did return they would have been undergoing PTSD, and had likely suffered the death of one of their close friends, forever changing them and the world we live in.

I can't comprehend the horror of this time but I do understand what it is like to lose a young family member and it is a horror no one should ever have to go through so today we are here in remembrance for how these heroes shaped our modern world.



Nikau Ward-Parr is very proud of his Anzac biscuits. Photo credit: Jaime Shirley



Te Rerenga School teacher Darrell Adshead and daughter Sophia with the poppies that are adorning their fence-line. Photo credit: Anna Yates



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2021 Matarangi Fundraising Calendar

A 2021 Matarangi Calendar to raise funds for the Matarangi Community Trust is all go.

'Home is where the heart is' is the theme, which was chosen as a way to celebrate why Matarangi is home for all of us. Organiser and Trustee Jo Malcolm said the theme reflects that Matarangi is the home to many of us whether we live here permanently or just are able to come down on weekends and holidays and it is where our heart is.

To get the best possible images a competition has been organised to select the best photos that reflect the theme. A judging panel then will select the photos that will make it into the 2021 calendar. Jo is asking for your favourite photo of Matarangi. The competition will run until the end of August asking for an old favourite or a new photo of Matarangi. It will just need to be a high enough resolution to be blown up to around A4. Send your photos via email to jomalcolmnz@gmail.com

"The first run of 500 calendars will go on sale on Labour Weekend. We hope to do a second print run if there is demand prior to Christmas. It will definitely make a great gift for friends and family," says Jo. "The calendar will be a 14 month calendar so it will cover December 2020 to January 2022, which people will find useful to reference future dates over a year ahead."

To help offset the printing costs Jo notes the great support from businesses. "This means there will be more profit from selling the Calendars going back into the community. So thank you so far to Sharon and Darren Walker of 4 Square, Puku Stevens and Kerre Baker of Puku and Kerre's Liquor Store, Louise Bradley from Ray White and Richard Black from Stump Grinding Auckland," says Jo. "If any other businesses want to help, your donations are welcome! We will make sure we acknowledge appropriately in the calendar."

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GOOD SORT

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS THE MATARANGI BEACH PAPER?

Our Good Sort this month is Matarangi local Louise Falleni. Louise has continued to be an essential worker through Covid 19 Levels 3 and 4. She works as the Office Administrator at Whitianga Continuing Care, our wonderful local aged care residential facility.

Sadly, a number of Matarangi residents have had their precious elderly loved ones in lockdown at the rest home during this time. This has been extremely difficult for families who have been unable to visit.

Throughout this period Louise has been incredibly kind and caring, keeping a special eye on loved ones and taking the time to give messages and read out loud letters and emails sent by family. This has been extremely comforting and reassuring for families so thank you Louise.

The good folk of Matarangi salute you!



Val and Phil Jones from Oxfordshire in the United Kingdom have sent in some wonderful photos of being back at home during the lockdown.

Val and Phil have a house in Matarangi and usually divide their time between here and the U.K. but unfortunately haven't been able to get out here yet this year. Their son Stu and his wife Nicky and their two little girls are currently living in their Matarangi home, as their own home in Auckland is being rented. They were living in Melbourne where Stu was working for Air NZ but returned to New Zealand when the Covid 19 situation became more apparent.

From her U.K bubble Val writes, "We moved here 3 years ago to enable us to come over to Matarangi with an easy mind as there's always our manager on duty if problems occur. We have a first floor apartment with fantastic views and we can enjoy the garden with none of the work. We're still on full lockdown and probably for the next three weeks or more but as our place is set in three acres we can walk the grounds and stay at a good distance from anyone else".

Meanwhile back at Matarangi Beach here is Nicky and Stu with their daughters Harriet and Amelia, on a beautiful autumn Anzac Day. The girls are saying a big hello to Grandma Val and Grandpa Phil back in the UK. They want to tell them that they are loving living here in Matarangi and plan to stay until the end of the year. Harriet and Amelia have been having a lot of fun riding their bikes and have now got so good they have lost their training wheels!

The Matarangi Fire Report

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for staying safe over the last month. Although we have appropriate PPE and training to handle this situation we were not looking forward to having to deal with an incident around Covid 19. So thankfully we have had no call outs since the 20th March. The Prohibited Fire season ended on 20th April and changed to Restricted which means a Fire Permit is required to light a fire in the open air. If you want to apply for a permit you must visit checkitsalright.nz or call 0800 658 628. Paper permits are not issued locally anymore so please do it online. The Fire Station remains closed during this lock down period so please do not enter the building. Stay safe everyone and we look forward to catching up after this is all over.

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It is times like this that can bring out the best and worst in us. It can bring communities together or it can tear them apart. That is human nature. We all respond to things differently. The positive actions of people in the community to brighten a person's day or to just make the lives of those facing adversity easier has been heartening. It has all been about being kind, being safe and looking after each other. Kindness has certainly been sprinkled like confetti in our community! It has been the simple things like putting balloons up at your gate just to make a little boy's birthday even more special when he walked by, to giving away extra fruit and produce and offering to pick up supplies in town to save others a trip. It really has brought out the good in people.

Yes! There have been the usual moans and groans (and some of them have been fair enough), on social media about dog poop, self-entitled people flagrantly breaking the lock down rules and of course we can't forget to mention that tree cutting debacle! Dear oh dear, that certainly caused blood pressures to rise! The two fingered salute was also witnessed on occasion, but generally have been marvellous and there have only been one or two self-appointed sheriffs. On the whole, what a resilient and kind community we have!

The MBP would like to share with you a few of our favourite things that we have witnessed over the past month. They have lifted the spirits during these tumultuous times, alleviated the boredom and made the lives of others brighter.

Sharon, Darren and the team at Four Square Matarangi would have to be without a doubt our local heroes during this lockdown.

Always known for their generosity, kindness and outstanding service they have gone over and above in customer care ensuring the shop was safe, stocked as fully as it could be and looking after the vulnerable by offering phone orders and home deliveries.

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What a special day it was with people decorating their letterboxes, flying flags and making poppies and lanterns. Innes and Layla Wilson (right) decorated their farm fence. The highlight however was at dawn down on the beach with people reflecting and social distancing.



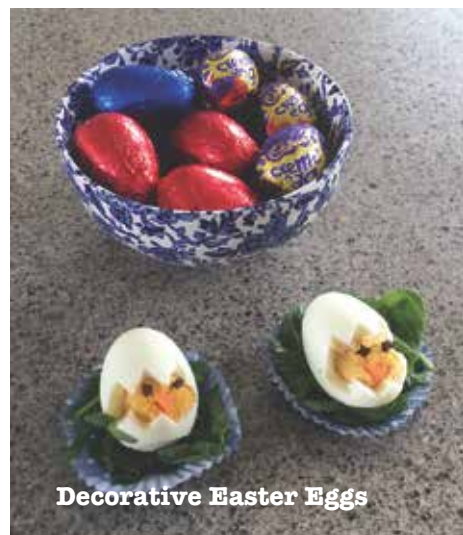
An old Digger spotted at the Dawn parade on ANZAC day.

A VIRTUAL ATOM



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It was a heart breaking decision by the ATOM committee to cancel A Taste of Matarangi 2020 due to the Corona Virus. The popular festival was going to be held on April 4th. Rather than letting the 2020 festival pass by unnoticed it was decided to try and create some community spirit by having our own virtual food, wine and music festival, while still keeping in our bubbles. So at 4 pm that day people were encouraged to pour their favourite tippie, eat some yummy food, and put on some of their favourite music and have a boogie! At the same time they were asked to raise a glass and toast for a successful ATOM in 2021.



Decorative Easter Eggs

It was great to see people still getting into the Easter spirit by organising their own Easter Egg treasure hunts and leaving out Easter surprises for children to find. Good as Gold Painting in Matarangi even organised an Easter Egg decorating competition!

Children and even adults were encouraged to be creative decorating a hardboiled egg in any way they wished.

Photo Credit Jo Malcolm: Easter bunny delivering in dunes (right).

Photo (left): A winning entry in the Easter Egg Decorating Competition

BEAR HUNT



Going on a bear hunt was a popular outdoor activity for local children during lockdown. The 'big kids' of Matarangi certainly embraced this, hunting out their own favourite soft toy to put on display. The whole idea was to bring people together even while socially isolated and putting smiles on children's faces at the same time.

Above: Berlin Bear and Hanoi Bear Teddy



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SUN SMILES ON GOLFERS AS DUNES RE-OPENS

When the government closed our borders and drove us into a five-week bubble inflicted lockdown it was bad news for all Dunes golfers.

This lovely course was suddenly empty except for occasional walkers who did not have to avoid errant golf balls or the angry cries of impatient players.

However, on Tuesday April 28 the course was opened to restricted play as some of the Government-imposed restrictions were lifted.

Play by yourself or in your bubble, were the instructions from the Ministry of Business.

With just five hours a day permitted for tee times, all but two were taken up on the first day as members enjoyed a walk in the autumn sun.

The previous week greenkeeping staff were permitted to engage in vital course maintenance and the team put in long hours to get things back on track.

Surprisingly the greens appear to have a healthy cover of grass on them, but Greens Superintendent Raymond Fanning cautions that they require considerable work to bring them back to full playing standard.

"We were lucky to be able to tend to them when we did," he said. "Another week and things would have been much more difficult."

After the first cut on April 15, the greens received an application of fertilizer then fungicide. This week the fairways also received an application of fertilizer. The process will be repeated at regular intervals.

Meanwhile, New Zealand Golf, with the assistance of Sport NZ, published a definition of what we can and can't do on the course during Level 3. This is available on their website – www.golf.co.nz.

Here are the rules under which members are permitted to play the course until further notice from the Government – possible following the May 11 Cabinet meeting which decides when we move to level 2.

- The Proshop will be operated behind closed doors from 8am until 1pm to take tee bookings.
- Members may only play on the course if they have a booking. All golf must start on the first tee.
- The first tee off will be 8am and the last 1pm.
- Please keep carts off the fairways as they are slowly recovering after the drought.
- Remember, you must not share a cart unless the person you share with is in your bubble.
- Please keep your social distances – 2 metres – and don't share any equipment.
- You will not be able to submit cards for handicapping and there will be no competitions.
- Under the safety regulations, which involve traceability, only current financial members will be permitted on the course and they will be expected to maintain social distancing rules.
- You are only able to play with others that are in your bubble. Your bubble cannot be extended for golfing purposes.

Raymond says as a first step to getting play up and running there are no rakes in the bunkers or pins in the holes.

In fact there are no holes. Cups are inverted and raised a few centimeters above the ground. If your ball strikes the cup it is counted as a successful put.

On the first six holes the cup will be in the front of the green, the second six holes the middle and the third six holes the back. In all cases it will be equidistant from the sides of the green.

Anyone who would like to become a member of The Dunes or who has yet to pay their annual subscription for this year can contact accounts@thedunesmatarangi.com for an invoice and payment methods.

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THE FISHING REPORT

Matarangi Boat & Fishing Club



MAY 2020

I'm sure that if we could have been able to get out fishing the results would have been excellent. The weather has been unbelievable for the first 2 weeks of the lockdown, but as we start getting towards the lifting of the restraints, you can be sure that the weather will turn for the worst. Murphy's law.

With the transition to LEVEL 3, the changes to fishing have been relaxed a little. I believe that fishing from the shore and wharf's is allowed but not from the rocks. Also no scuba diving! The beach will be full of Kontiki's ensuring entertainment for the walkers as tangles will be inevitable. Remember to maintain your distancing. Hopefully at LEVEL2 we will be able to take the boats out.

Please respect the restraints imposed on us all and we will get back to normal lives a lot quicker. Be kind to everyone and stay within your bubbles.

On the 18th May 2020 the Matarangi Boat & Fishing Club Inc will celebrate 25 years since it's inception. Our Patron, Blue Lewis, called a meeting of all interested parties at his residence in Matarangi early in 1995. The outcome of this meeting saw the formation of the Club. Blue has been the driving force throughout the years for the success of the Club, instigating all of the competitions and social events. The community will remember the prize giving dinners year after year where everyone present received a plate with half a crayfish on it, courtesy of Blue. The committee and members thank you Blue, and your late wife, June, for your unselfish contribution and time to mould the Club to the success it is today. Unfortunately because of the present environment, we will not be able to celebrate this occasion. Hopefully we can incorporate the celebration with a re-programmed fishing Competition later in the year.

Hopefully my next report will have some fishing content, meanwhile stay within your bubble and be respectful and kind to all.

Peter Murphy, President (0212690058)

Dog Suspected of Killing Kiwi

A dead baby Kiwi was found in a park in residential Matarangi recently.

It was found early in the morning of April 5th by Wayne Fletcher. Wayne was gutted to find the baby bird outside his house. "I can only suspect a dog attack and I hope people are making sure their dogs are kept inside at night," wrote Wayne to the Matarangi Beach Paper.

"What made it worse for me was I heard a rustling noise in the early hours of the morning - I got up and my sensor lights weren't on so I went back to bed thinking I was imagining things. Then I heard it again like something was running around close to or under my carport but I stayed in bed. I think the noise was the Kiwi being chased by something, which I suspect was a pet dog thinking he'd found something to play with. Just guessing. Hopefully the test will prove my suspicion wrong. I talked with my neighbours so that they all know about the Kiwi and the need to keep their dogs on their property at night some of which are not fenced. My property isn't fenced either so a lesson for me to as I didn't know Kiwi were here. I'm gutted with myself for not going outside to investigate," said Wayne

Grant Robinson from the Matarangi DOC team picked up the Kiwi and it was taken away it for testing. Hopefully the DNA testing of its feathers can tell what animal the saliva belongs to. The kiwi has been placed in a freezer to protect it for DNA sampling. This will happen after the lockdown period ends. "Until the bird is tested to confirm what killed it, be very careful about assuming what killed it. Don't point fingers until science confirms what you thought you knew," said Paula Williams, the project manager of Project Kiwi. Paula says that in the future when this happens, please refrigerate the bird straight away and contact the local DOC hotline. They will provide you with more detail and arrange for it to be picked up because it is an endangered species.

Until the DNA results come back we will not know for sure what killed this baby kiwi. Dogs are known to be the biggest killer of the kiwi and the Department of Conservation had planned a Kiwi Avoidance Training run by Project Kiwi to be held in Matarangi at Easter. This had to be postponed due to the lockdown.

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PESTIE CORNER

With Sharon Clay of
Peninsula Pests

It's a strange new world we find ourselves in today – lockdown, social distancing, bubbles, no fishing!! There appears to be no constants anymore.... that's what you think. Yep pests are always there and we're not talking about husbands or children!

I was asked if there had been any funny anecdotes since we started chasing down pests. Well here's a few to cheer up your day.

About to spray the exterior of a house for spiders and clad in our classy white overalls including hood, gloves and face mask, I did my normal check of the property to identify any obstacles, access issues, etc. Noted a hole in the ground where a tree had obviously been removed and made a note to take care. However, on my way back, yours truly stepped into the hole and was now prostrate on the ground laughing hysterically as you do when you know you should be crying. Around the corner came Stephen and the only comment was "Oh for God's sake! Get up you look like a giant maggot"

Wasps had made a large nest inside the roof space of an old villa in Coromandel. The access was through the roof of the bedroom wardrobe. As the shelf so close to the top of the door it was obvious that I was the only one able to get up on the shelf. Clad in overalls, I proceeded to squeeze myself through the small space. I met with an anatomical problem that women only have – one boob above and one below trapped by my overalls and feet tipy toing on the ladder. After what seemed like forever, they managed to extricate me only to be sent back up to complete the job without the "sticky" overalls on.

Rats are very smart creatures who use our interior wall spaces to store food like acorns, macadamia nuts etc. One job had us trying to track down their access hole inside the house. On my hands and knees searching the scotia boards when I heard a faint noise. I crawled a little further on and heard a "scurrying" sound. I was onto one. I kept crawling along following the sound focused on not losing it when I reached the corner and screamed!! It was no rat (well maybe) I came face to face with Stephen doing exactly the same thingincluding the screaming.

Take care, stay safe and healthy and don't forget to smile.

Tree Vandalism Disappointing

The beachfront reserve in 'The Pines' area of Matarangi was deliberately damaged on April 16, with a number of trees cut down. The culprit, obviously under a shroud of secrecy, cowardly took the opportunity to do this while Matarangi was in lockdown.

This vandalism has upset many Matarangi locals and property owners leading them to make many comments on social media. Some believed they may have spotted the 'potential perpetrators' who they saw wielding chain saws in the vicinity around the time that the blatant destruction occurred. Others have also been particularly upset as our native tui particularly enjoys the banksia flower and can rely on it for winter food.

Apparently 22 banksias, 36 natives including Pohutakawas and Pseudopanax were attacked. Dave McDonald of the Matarangi Reserves Management Group (RMG) said that "We are extremely disappointed by the actions of the person or persons involved. The RMG has a good rapport with the TCDC and we are working closely with them on several issues, particularly in preserving our sand dunes. Actions such as this does not help our cause."

The Thames Coromandel District Council is also very unhappy that this event occurred and has taken it seriously. "It was incredibly disappointing to see this type of behaviour, especially at a time like this, when people should be at home in their bubbles," said TCDC District Manager North, Allan Tiplady.

Last week a person stating they were responsible for the damage, made contact with council who are now working with them to find an agreed way to deal with the matter and make restoration.

The TCDC state that if you do have an issue with a tree to please speak with them first. In many cases there may be professional tree management options that might help. "An individual may benefit from this vandalism, but the general ratepayer and resident suffer the consequences of their actions," said Allan.

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Due to the current Covid 19 Level 3 all local events, meetings and group activity listings are postponed until further notice.

PUZZLE CORNER

with David Key

During level 4 and level 3 lockdown five friends decided to use their time to learn a new skill. Each used a different method and chose a different skill and started in a different week of the lockdown. Can you work out which friend did what and the method and when they started.

	Skill					Media					Sales Order				
	Piano	Spanish	Te Reo	Violin	Welding	Book	E-mail	On-line	Partner	Video	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
Alex															
Bill															
Carrie															
Darren															
Emily															
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One learner was surprised to find that it was possible to do a welding course online. She used her extensive workshop to practice and like the violin player did not start in week 1.

Bill used a book to learn his new skill which was not a language.

One of the instrument players, who both started before either of the language learners, started in week 3, she did not use a video in this course.

Emily struggled with her Spanish language course, but was not the last to start.

The course starting last used an e-mail correspondence method. This was not taken by one of the

Carrie started her course after Alex.

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8		1:03	7:24	13:31	20:00
9			8:18	14:23	20:52
10		2:50	9:11	15:14	21:43
11		3:42	10:03	16:04	22:34
12		4:35	10:54	16:54	23:26
13		5:28	11:45	17:45	
14	0:17	6:21	12:37	18:37	
15	1:09	7:15	13:30	19:32	
16	2:02	8:10	14:24	20:28	
17	2:54	9:03	15:19	21:24	
18	3:44	9:55	16:12	22:17	
19	4:33	10:43	17:03	23:05	
20	5:20	11:29	17:50	23:50	
21	6:04	12:12	18:35		
22		0:32	6:47	12:52	19:16
23		1:12	7:28	13:31	19:57
24		1:52	8:10	14:11	20:38
25		2:33	8:52	14:51	21:20
26		3:16	9:36	15:33	22:03
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28		4:49	11:09	17:05	23:38
29		5:39	11:59	17:55	
30	0:29	6:32	12:54	18:50	
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MAY 2020 Report by Alastair Brickell of Stargazer Astronomy Tours

All this month, but quite late in the evening, the beautiful trio of brilliant Jupiter, then Saturn and finally Mars rise like clockwork in the east for us to enjoy.

May 12 – The Moon sits neatly between bright Jupiter and fainter Mars tonight.
 May 13 – The Moon has moved below Saturn with brilliant Jupiter above the ringed planet.

May 15 – The Moon now sits directly above slightly reddish Mars in the eastern late evening sky.

May 16 – The Moon has moved tonight to be just below and to the right of Mars.

May 24 – A miniscule crescent Moon lies between bright Venus and faint Mercury extremely low in the western sky immediately after sunset.

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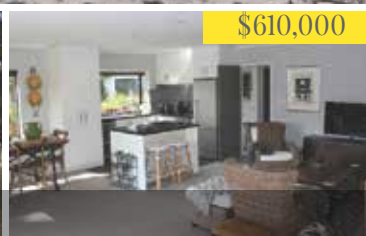





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