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Coast trio strike gold at Touch NZ Masters



From left to right Janelle Cridge, Charne Pairama and Jean Marshall celebrate their gold medal at the National Touch NZ Masters tournament. Photo supplied.

Three Pōhutukawa Coast women are still celebrating after helping the Counties Manukau side claim a dramatic win at this year's Touch NZ Masters Nationals in the Women's 40s grade.

The team went through the entire tournament undefeated and won a thrilling drop-off final against Waikato 5-4 to secure the national title.

Janelle Cridge (Maraetai), Charne Pairama and Jean Marshall (both from Beachlands) balanced tough training schedules alongside work, whānau and everyday life to prepare for the tournament.

"Training required a big commitment and we were very lucky to have supportive whānau and partners behind us," says Charne. "At the peak of our campaign we were playing touch up to six days a week, which meant missing valuable whānau time, kids' sports and some of our normal routines. It really highlighted that this achievement wasn't just ours, it was a collective effort supported by our whānau."

All three players are involved in the local Pōhutukawa Coast Touch module and are proud members of the Elementz club, which is based on the Coast and continues to grow and develop touch in the area.

Every match at the Nationals was fiercely contested, and Charne says preparation and leadership played a key role in helping the team stay composed under pressure.

"Every game at Nationals was tough and highly competitive. Our coach Luke Chapman, and manager Olivia Chapman, prepared us well for different scenarios, which helped us stay calm and focused throughout the tournament."

It was the first time playing at Masters Nationals for all three players.

"We were learning and growing with every game, the experience within the team played a huge role in guiding us

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Guest editorial by the Clevedon Association

We've recently surveyed the local community to find out if we're: a) doing a good job and; b) what areas the community would like us to focus on. The response was overwhelmingly positive, and it was reassuring to hear that we're on the right path with our efforts to make Clevedon a great place to live, work and play.

Throughout 2026/2027 we'll be focusing on the following work areas:

- Producing and sharing stories that build connectedness.
- Bringing people together through events and activities.
- Achieving best outcomes for Clevedon through growth.
- Encouraging visitors to spend time in Clevedon.
- Making the main street heart of Clevedon great.
- Creating personal and community safety and resilience.
- Building and sustaining a connected and engaged community.
- We are also looking to add work around our whenua and youth, subject to people wanting to help us.

Three of our long-standing committee members (Victoria Richards, Mary Whitehouse and Josephine Elworthy) are reaching the end of their tenure on the Association after a combined 40+ years of service to Clevedon. If you'd like to chip in and join the team, please email Martin at chair@clevedon.co.nz.

Addressing Clevedon's Main Street

One of the Clevedon Association's new projects is to create a multi-year masterplan for the Clevedon main street. We want this to include a desired work programme for public and private organisations (such as Vector, Auckland Transport, and business/property owners) that will help our main street - the heart of our village - become its best possible self. We're just getting started on this project, and will share more about it in future. We're delighted that former Franklin Local Board Chair Angela Fulljames has put up her hand to lead this project.

Clevedon Planting Palette

Planting season is almost upon us so if you're looking for inspiration and practical guidance, check out our new Clevedon Planting Palette.

The palette has been developed by landscape architects from Isthmus on behalf of the Clevedon Association with input from local experts and Ardmore Nurseries Ltd. The Clevedon Planting Palette has been developed to help guide planting and landscape design in and around the village, and greater rural area. The aim is to create a more consistent, thoughtful, and locally grounded approach to how Clevedon grows, using plant species that we know grow well here.

The palette has been designed to strengthen Clevedon's rural character, reflect both its indigenous and contemporary histories, and enhance local biodiversity. By encouraging the use of plants that are well suited to the area, the guide helps ensure Clevedon remains an attractive and distinctive place to live, work, and play.

We hope the planting palette will be a handy reference tool for residents, community groups, developers, landscape designers, and organisations undertaking planting projects in Clevedon Village or the wider Clevedon area. The Clevedon Presbyterian Church have used the palette in the design of the streetscape planting that will be implemented when the building is finished and Auckland Council will use the palette at the hall when the playground is renewed.

The palette includes maps showing where different mixes are best applied, helping users choose plants that suit both the location and the character of the area. The Clevedon Planting Palette is available to view and download at clevedon.co.nz/planting-palette/

Project Manager Wanted

We're currently looking for a part time project manager for our bi-annual Love Clevedon Guide and Directory publication. This role involves working with a small team from the committee looking at the next evolution of the guide then working with the designers and

advertisers. The role has some nominal compensation. The ideal person is a passionate local who is used to getting things done. Email us at loveclevedon@clevedon.co.nz if you'd like to find out more.

Defibrillator Course in Clevedon

Our community response team, Kahu CRT, is partnering with Hate Hone St Johns to run a defibrillator course in Clevedon 7pm Monday 25 May at the District Centre. If you'd like to attend, email us at kahu.crt@clevedon.co.nz.

Bins with a difference

Clevedon is going next-level with its rubbish receptacles! Soon you'll see some beautiful new Corton-steel bins around the village, designed to complement our new gateway 'Clevedon' signs.

Welcome Gift Bags a hit

In recent months the Clevedon Association has delivered 27 welcome bags filled with Clevedon goodies to residents in our newest subdivisions, Clevedon Meadows and Conmara. The team love the response from our new residents who are delighted with a personal welcome to our community. Remember to let us know if you have a new neighbour via loveclevedon@clevedon.co.nz

Buffalo Hunt winner

During the recent school holidays we ran the inaugural Clevedon Buffalo Hunt, where young participants were tasked with trying to spot all the 'Buffalo Bobs' hidden around the village.

Dieter Ingles conducted the most thorough search of the village, and found 16 of the 20 Buffalo Bobs - at least two more than anyone else! Dieter won a prize pack of Clevedon Buffalo products, and we handed out prizes to a few runner-ups too.

We received over 395 entries, and the competition brought plenty of great energy to the village throughout the recent school holidays.



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through those high pressure moments.”

The final against Waikato came down to a nerve-wracking drop-off, but Charne says the team showed incredible composure to come through for the win.

“It was a highlight that we will remember forever.”

They credit the Counties Manukau side’s culture as key to their success.

“Our biggest strengths were our team culture, experience and belief in each other,” says Charne. “Luke and Olivia created a strong environment where everyone was accountable, supported one another and played for the team, which made a real difference in tight games.”

The local touch scene has also played a big role in their success.

“Pōhutukawa Coast Touch has been instrumental in helping the three of us grow as players. The introduction of the women’s grade gave us the opportunity to develop our skills, take on leadership roles, and build confidence in the game.”

Another major influence has been Elementz, a club founded by Fred Morgan and Luke Chapman. Luke was recently appointed New Zealand Touch Open Men’s Head Coach and coached the Māori Touch All Stars to gold.

“We are incredibly fortunate to learn from his knowledge and leadership,” says Charne. “Being part of Elementz has helped prepare us for opportunities like Masters Nationals and has pushed us to grow both as players and as people. Now being involved in running Elementz on the coast, it is incredibly rewarding to see the

next generation of players coming through and following the same pathway that first inspired us to join the club.”

Many of the original Elementz players (who were under 8 years old at the time the club formed) have now gone on to play representative touch, showing the strength of the development pathway and culture within the club.

“Elementz is about more than just creating good touch players, it is about creating good people, and that is what continues to draw whānau and players into the club,” says Charne.

Following the national win, the team were delighted to be named ‘Counties Manukau Team of the Year’ at Counties Manukau prize giving.

“That acknowledgement meant a lot because it reflected the hard work,

sacrifice and dedication behind the campaign. It was another proud moment for our team.”

The trio hope their success inspires others, saying they hope it inspires the next generation of players to get involved in touch.

“We hope this shows young players, especially girls, that there are real pathways and opportunities in touch. You are never too young or too old to learn, and with hard work and belief you can achieve great things. We want more females to get involved in touch, feel confident stepping onto the field, and enjoy the friendships and connections that come with being part of the game, as we have made many new friendships through this season.”

Takutai Charitable Trust announces health and wellbeing events

The Takutai Charitable Trust Health and Wellbeing Team is preparing a programme of activities this year, aimed at strengthening mental health and wellbeing across the Pōhutukawa Coast community.

With wellbeing recognised as a vital foundation for resilience and for coping during life’s more challenging seasons, the team’s initiatives are designed to be inclusive, practical and supportive, meeting people where they are and encouraging open, honest conversations.

One of the first programmes to launch is **Menopause Madness Mingle (MMM)**, a new monthly support group for women experiencing the physical and emotional changes associated with ageing. Hosted at Pepperjacks from 7-8.30pm every second Thursday of the month, MMM offers a welcoming space for group discussion, shared experiences and mutual support. The goal is to help normalise conversations around menopause and reduce stigma within the community. The first session begins on Thursday 14 May, and women of all backgrounds are encouraged to attend.

Later in May, the Health and Wellbeing Team will introduce **WRAP – Wellness and Recovery Action Plan**, a structured programme facilitated by Emerge Aotearoa, designed to help individuals

build a personalised plan to support their mental wellbeing. WRAP focuses on creating simple, safe and effective strategies for maintaining wellness, strengthening personal resilience, and connecting with supportive networks.

The programme will run over six weeks, held on Tuesday evenings at Te Puru, commencing on 26 May. WRAP is offered free of charge, making it accessible to anyone wanting to take proactive steps toward improved mental health.

The team is also planning to deliver two additional mental health offerings later in the year: a **Mental Health First Aid Course**, a two-day, face-to-face workshop that teaches you how to provide initial support to another adult who may be experiencing a mental health crisis or challenge, and a **condensed two day WRAP programme** for those who may not be able to commit to the full six week course.

Youth wellbeing is another major focus for the Trust in 2026. With generous support from Auckland Council through the Franklin Local Board, three youth focused initiatives will be rolled out across the Pōhutukawa Coast. These include Mental Health First Aid training for youth leaders, coaches and teachers, with an emphasis on early identification, positive

engagement and appropriate support tools.

The second initiative will work directly with young youth leaders, providing peer to peer support training that builds awareness, confidence and skills to support others facing challenges. Finally, the Youth Friday Night Programme will host guided discussions on a range of topics relevant to the fast changing world young people are navigating today.

The Trust also hopes to end the year working with Pōhutukawa Coast Rotary

to host the Community Wellbeing Event alongside the Rotary Fun Run event in November.

“Together, these initiatives reflect Takutai Charitable Trust’s commitment to fostering a healthier, more connected and resilient community,” says Wellbeing Team coordinator Ruth Doone.

For further information or to register for any of the programmes, please contact ruth@takutaicharitabletrust.co.nz.



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Clevedon Library finds a new home across the road

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Today, it costs nothing to join the long-standing community library, which has just opened the doors to its new home inside the Clevedon District Centre.

Founded in 1862 under a paid membership model, Clevedon Library has operated from a number of locations around the village over the decades, most recently from a small building beside the community hall. This month, its books and volunteers moved across the road into the Clevedon District Centre's bright and welcoming space as part of the Clevedon Association's vision to convert the space into more of a community hub.

The new location offers several benefits for the community, including a dedicated children's area and free WiFi. It is expected to become a popular place for children to gather after school, as well as a comfortable and accessible space for readers of all ages.

The library contains a selection of its own books, as well as a good selection supplied by Auckland Libraries. Residents can order books from the wider Auckland Libraries network and have them delivered to Clevedon Library for collection. Likewise, Auckland Libraries books can be returned locally.

Clevedon Library is run entirely by volunteers, led by Hazel Audain. Membership is free, and still run via a paper-based system.

The volunteer team spans generations,

with the youngest volunteer aged just 11. The library move was officially celebrated on 2 May, when Franklin Local Board chair Alan Cole welcomed the community and volunteers into the new space. The relocation followed an approach by the Clevedon Association last year, which proposed moving the library into the District Centre.

"It's a great idea," says Alan. "If we can get more utilisation of this building going forward, and attract people in ... I think it's a winner."

Alan says the library's relocation is part of a broader vision for Clevedon. "We're doing all these little things, and this is one of the first steps. We've got some great things happening across the road [in the playground space] over the next 12 months."

Clevedon Association chair Martin Grant also attended the celebration and spoke about the importance of libraries in strong communities.

"We get out of bed to make Clevedon a great place to live, work and play and a big part of that is about having a community that is really connected. From my experience of growing up, your library is a foundational piece," said Martin.

"This is an underutilised space, it's an iconic building for Clevedon and when you join those things together it just makes it an amazing solution. Hopefully this will become a drawcard. We need places where people can connect. We have great hope for it, and we're going to get in behind it as much as we can."



Clockwise from above: Franklin Local Board Chair Alan Cole officially welcomes the Clevedon Library to its new location; the library's new children's area; books await new readers.

The library is always keen to welcome new helpers. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact Hazel at hazel.audain@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz.

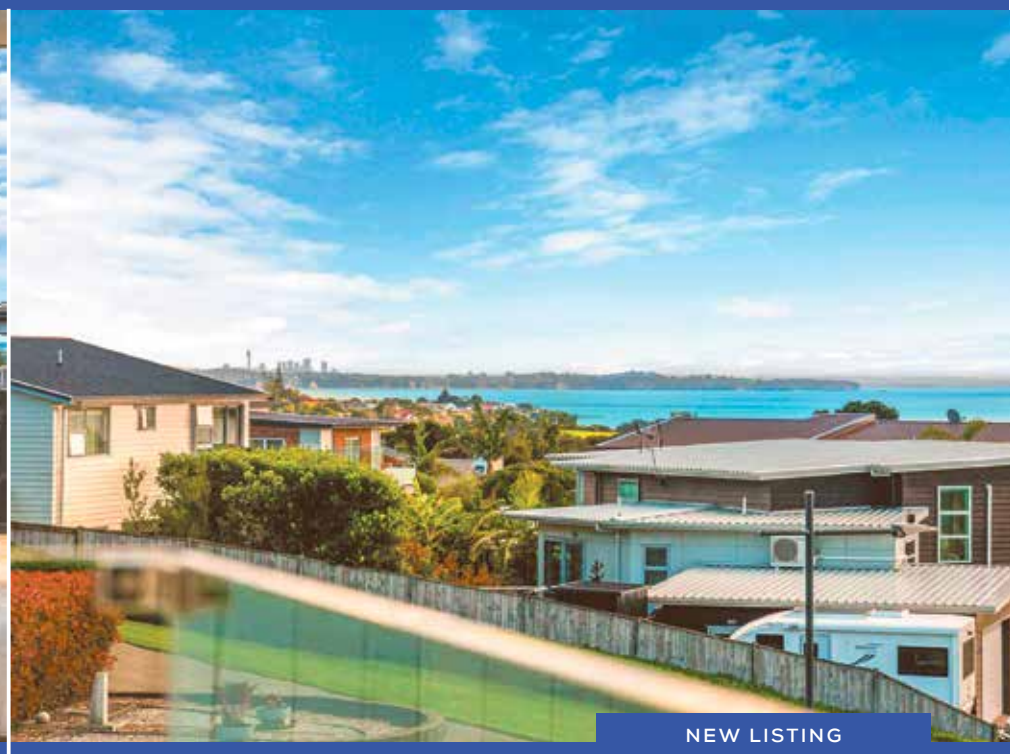
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Franklin Local Board by-election candidate profile: Tom Van der Laan

The recent resignation of Franklin Local Board member Malcolm Bell means that a by-election will be held in June, to determine a third candidate to represent the board's Wairoa area (which includes Beachlands, Maraetai, Clevedon, Hūnua, Kawakawa Bay and Ōrere Point). Over the next few weeks the PC Times will publish interviews with the four candidates standing for election. This week's interview is with candidate Tom Van der Laan.

Can you share your personal connection to the Wairoa subdivision and how your experiences here shape the perspective you would bring to the Local Board?

I have lived in the Bombay area for close to 10 years and have built up strong community connections in this time. As a secondary school principal in Franklin for 13 years I have built up good connections with Wairoa schools and community leaders. The area has always been special to me as growing up in South Auckland we had the Pōhutukawa Coast, beaches and Hūnua Ranges as our playground. I had early involvement in school and Scout camps in Clevedon, Camp Adair and the Ness Valley and then later as a teacher, I directed Papakura High School outdoor education programmes and spent a lot of time at the Hūnua Falls camps, the Waharau Outdoor Education Centre and the regional parks at Duders Beach and Tapapaakanga. I have spent many hours on local bush tracks enjoying my hobbies of learning about native flora and fauna. And as a keen sea kayaker I would often launch from Maraetai or Kawakawa Bay for my trips out to Waiheke and Ponui islands. I even gate crashed the Splore Festival

once by kayak. These experiences and involvement in the area have made me both appreciative of the natural richness and special character of the region as well as giving me an awareness of the issues and challenges that are increasingly faced by its communities.

What previous involvement have you had in local community projects, organisations, or advocacy, and how have those experiences prepared you to serve effectively on the Local Board?

Through my time as an outdoor educator, I was involved in local conservation projects including pest control efforts related to the Kōkako recovery project in the Hūnuas and tree planting on some of the gulf islands. I served as an elected community board member under the Manukau City Council and particularly enjoyed supporting the parks and reserves initiatives at that time. Wild asparagus and wandering jew were regular targets in my spare time! I also served 2 terms as an elected member of the Wiri Licensing Trust and was always supportive of financial grants directed towards conservation work and community projects. These experiences have given me the skills,

knowledge and community connections to be an effective local board member for the Wairoa subdivision. Closer to home in Bombay, I facilitated the Bombay Community Learning Assembly from 2022 to 2024 based in the Bombay Scout Den. I been involved with and have made submissions opposing landfill projects, both in Bombay and Hūnua and was delighted that we had success with stopping one of the Hūnua projects. I have attended community meetings and presentations in Hūnua, Ararimu and Paparimu regarding emergency response and civil defence provision and I have been involved in consultation and feedback on Paparata Reserve in Bombay. I support and attend the Anzac service in Bombay where I proudly wear my NZ Defence Services Medal which recognizes my service as an officer in the NZ Infantry Territorials. Now that I am retired, I have the time, motivation and richness of my experiences and learning to be an effective advocate for Wairoa on the Franklin local Board.

What do you see as the most pressing issues facing Beachlands, Maraetai, Whitford, Clevedon, Hūnua and surrounding areas over the next three years, and what specific steps

would you take as a Board member to address them?

The Wairoa subdivision faces the challenge of a rapidly growing city on its doorstep. When Auckland City Council swallowed up the surrounding more rural councils like Manukau and Franklin, its priorities and funding streams became more urban focussed and distant from our communities. Large projects like the rail network upgrade may well benefit city commuters, but they also mean rate rises for those of us living more remotely and who have little use of them. Finding space for the city's increasing housing needs is already impacting Beachlands and Maraetai and creating associated traffic and infrastructure issues. And now we have Plan Change 120 with the 100 year flooding and coastal inundation data being applied to dramatic numbers of private properties from Whitford to Kawakawa Bay. The impacts of this data on our LIM's will undoubtedly impact property values and insurance costs. Action is needed, but with only one councillor for the whole of Franklin, it falls increasingly on the local Board to be abreast of these challenges and advocating strongly. As a strong and experienced independent candidate I will be making sure that this happens.

Tom Van der Laan



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Y5 Navy v Papakura, 120-0, **TOD** James Becker, **Sportsmanship** Dean Crawford
Y6 Navy v Manurewa, 35-30, **POD** Ryan McWatt, **TOD** Julian Stretton
Y2 Navy v Manurewa White, 12-15, **POD** Lola Van Oosten, **ROD** Hunter Szabo
Y3 Orange v Te Kauwhata Tigers, 40-135, **POD** Kaylee-Anne, **TOD** Bryn, **Most Improved** Maru
Y2 Orange v Manurewa Green, 16-8, **POD** Atlas King, **ROD** Harry Blake
Y3 Navy v Ardmore Y3, 120-70, **POD** Poppy Forde, **TOD** Jacob Etherington
Y1 Navy v Ardmore, **POD** Hugh Taylor, **ROD** AJ Garner
Y5 Orange v Pukekohe Gold, 5-60, **POD** Landon van der Berg
Y8 Navy v Pukekohe Gold, 45-29, **POD** Dayton Martin
Y7 v Patumahoe Y7, 66-14, **POD** Cooper Smith
Y6 Orange v Weymouth, 85-15, **POD** Brax Burkhead
Y4 Navy v Ardmore Marist Green, 80-30, **POD** Ari Bentley, **TOD** Dylan Lee, **TOD** Joshua Johnson
Y7/8 Girls Orange v Manukau Rovers Starlings, 70-25, **POD** Ava Houareau, **ROD** Jaime Hillary
U15 Girls Rip v Marist Eastern Red, 70-30, **POD** Mila Grogan, **ROD** Kiri-Sophia Dixon



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Franklin Local Board candidate Clare Alder outlines priorities

Clare Alder is standing as the Team Franklin candidate in the upcoming Wairoa by-election, bringing with her a strong local connection built through family, community and years spent living in rural Franklin.

Having spent most of her life in rural Franklin, Clare understands the realities of communities like Beachlands, Maraetai, Whitford, Clevedon, Hunua and the surrounding areas. She and her husband Max raised their family in Ardmore for 14 years and now live in Bombay, continuing that same rural lifestyle and connection to the wider Franklin area.

That background gives Clare a practical understanding of the issues local families face every day. Rural roads, local services, development pressure, access to facilities, and the need to protect the character of these communities are not abstract policy topics to her. They are part of everyday life.

Clare has also been actively involved in business and community work

for many years. She co-founded Seedlings Education, a home-based early childhood education provider that grew into one of Auckland's top-performing services. That experience required strong governance, compliance, leadership and the ability to work with families from a wide range of backgrounds.

Her community involvement has also been hands on. Clare has advocated for neighbours on development issues connected to Ardmore Airport and supported local children in presenting to the Franklin Local Board for a playground. She understands that sometimes the smaller, practical projects are the ones that make the biggest difference to families.

Looking ahead, Clare sees growth and development as one of the biggest issues facing the Wairoa subdivision. These communities are changing quickly, and growth needs to be managed in a way that works for existing residents, not just developers or planning documents.

Transport is another major priority, especially with local boards expected to have stronger transport advocacy and decision-making roles. Clare would push for greater attention on rural road maintenance, road drainage, vegetation clearing and safety.

She is also focused on supporting local business, improving local facilities and making sure residents are kept

properly informed. Clare believes people deserve clear communication about what is happening, why decisions are being made and what is coming next.

Her approach is practical, grounded and community focused: listen properly, communicate clearly and work hard to deliver outcomes that reflect what local people actually need.



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- ½ brown onion, diced
- 2 cloves minced garlic
- 500g beef mince
- 1 large grated carrot
- 510g jar of Dolmio roasted garlic pasta sauce
- Salt, pepper, chili flakes (optional)
- 485g jar Dolmio cheesy lasagna bake sauce
- 2 cups grated cheese
- Lasagna sheets
- Olive oil

Method:

1. Pre-heat oven to 180°C fan bake.
2. Heat a drizzle of olive oil in a pan over medium/low heat. Add diced onions to the pan and cook until golden brown. Add garlic and cook until fragrant.
3. Turn up the heat to medium-high and add beef mince in small parts, cook each part for around 1 minute before adding the next (this helps to stop it building up moisture from overcrowding the pan). Once the mince is almost fully cooked add in grated carrot, salt, pepper and chilli flakes and cook down for 2-3 minutes.
4. Pour in the jar of pasta sauce plus ½ cup of water and heat until bubbling. Reduce heat and simmer for 5 minutes.
5. In a large dish, scoop 1/3 of mince mixture and spread evenly over the base. Layer with a 1/3 of the jar of lasagna bake sauce and a handful of grated cheese spread evenly. Place pasta sheets on top to cover the whole area. Repeat this step x 3, but on the last layer don't place any more lasagna sheets on top, add extra grated cheese instead.
6. Cover with tin foil and bake for 30 minutes at 180°C, uncover and bake for 10 minutes. Remove from oven and let sit for 5 minutes before serving.
7. Enjoy!

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Skinks

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Lizard Lounge

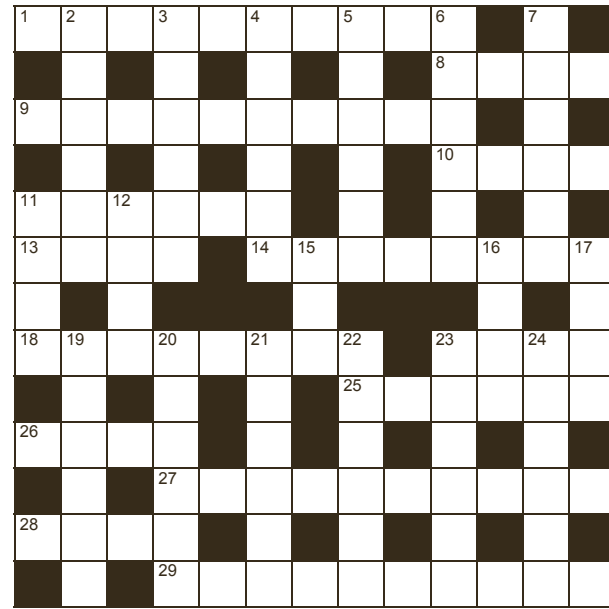
In my lizard lounge I have old wood and I will put my old wood in my cage. I have a hose that can give the lizard water. In my cage, my lizard can warm their blood in the sun. I put pipes in my cage so they can climb and be safe.

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Across

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- 8. Not at home (4)
- 9. Excellent (inf) (5-5)
- 10. Boot (4)
- 11. Decapitate (6)
- 13. Den (4)
- 14. Compatibility (8)
- 18. Immaculate (8)
- 23. Disfigurement (4)
- 25. Brat (6)
- 26. Appeal (4)
- 27. Very uncertain (5-3-2)
- 28. Food shop (abbr) (4)
- 29. Deign (10)

Down

- 2. Sickness (6)
- 3. Team's first batsman (6)
- 4. Pretentious (inf) (2-2-2)
- 5. Warning (3-3)
- 6. Cloud over (6)
- 7. Tap (6)
- 11. Glitch (4)
- 12. Sound equipment (2-2)
- 15. Flipper (3)
- 16. Skin irritation (4)
- 17. Tall story (colloq) (4)
- 19. Curler (6)
- 20. On line crackle (6)
- 21. Dispute the truth (6)
- 22. Card game (6)
- 23. Picturesque (6)
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BED & BREAKFAST

Brookwood Lodge, Beachlands. 027 285 5068
www.brookwoodlodge.co.nz

BLIND SERVICES

Onsite blind cleaning & repairs - plus new blinds info@onsiteblinds.co.nz 0508 253 262

BOOKKEEPERS

Business Allsorts, MYOB & Xero Experts 536 5850

BUILDERS

Bryant Builders Ltd 027 493 5507 or 027 692 8777
GH Building 021 564 263

BUILDERS' SUPPLIES

Morton Timber Co. Clevedon 292 8656
Beachlands Mitre 10 536 6567

CARPET CLEANING

Aladdin Carpet Cleaning, Phone Sheryll 09 537 4320

CHAINSAW SALES/SERVICE/REPAIRS

Greenmount Mowers & Chainsaws 09 970 4816

CHOCOLATES

Artisan Chocolates made in Beachlands www.brookwoodchocolate.co.nz - Heather 027 285 5068

COMPUTER REPAIR

Wi-Fi & Internet, Home and Office IT Support Call Graeme Thomas 027 429 0677

CONCRETE SERVICES

Aaron Ross Concreting 0210 233 2673
Murray Douglas Limited 027 498 5267
Pro-Floors Concrete Ltd, Call Grant 0274 951 280

COSTUME HIRE

Clevedon Costumes and Vintage Apparel 022 018 2711

DENTISTS

Whitford Dental Group 530 8461
- Dr Rick Parfitt, Dr Alex Lindsay & Dr Maad Youhana
- Hygienist/O.H.T - Latoya Conley 530 8461
Anthony Hunt Dental Ltd, Dr Anthony Hunt, Clevedon 292 9071
Marina Dentists Pine Harbour 536 4361
Smile Dental Beachlands
- Your local dentist. New patients welcome. 022 8888 171
- Free examination since 1996 09 302 0808
www.smiledental.co.nz 0800 4 smile

DIGGER & TRUCK HIRE

The Little Digger 027 278 0335 or 536 4424
Digger Landscapes www.diggerlandscapes.nz 021 415 832
Bizzy Bobcats & Diggers - call Mark 027 494 4414
Digginit www.digginit.co.nz 027 656 2270

DOCTORS

Beachlands Medical Centre 536 6006

DRAINLAYERS

Vibe Earthmovers and Drainage call Vincent 0272 225 377
Probuilt Earthworks Drainage call Steve 0274 849 8947
Drainage Vision Ltd call Mike Adams 027 593 0326
Certified drainlayer, CCTV inspections, drain unblocking

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Whitford Early Learning Centre 530 8726
Clevedon Kidz Early Childhood Centre 292 8358

EARTH MOVING CONTRACTORS

Riordan Contracting 09 530 9429 OR 027 430 9429
Pohutukawa Coast Earthmoving, Grant 027 475 8468

ELECTRICIANS

Auckland Electrical & Pump Services 536 4074, 027 4741 579
Pohutukawa Electrical 536 4076, mob 021 769 964

FENCING CONTRACTORS

Craig McLeod 027 292 5844
White Fencing: 292 8064, 0274 957 868
- rural fencing, retaining walls www.whitefencing.co.nz

FLORISTS

Clevedon Flowers, www.clevedonflowers.co.nz 292 9540

FOUNDATIONS & FLOOR SLABS

Pro-Floors Concrete Ltd, Call Grant 0274 951 280

FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Resthaven Funeral Services
Rachel Benns & Raewyn Proctor 533 7493, 267 2530
Ensom and Biswas Funerals
John Ensom & Rav Biswas 299 6646 or 524 6765
Fountains Funeral Directors & Monumentalists -
Papakura, Franklin and Manurewa 298 2957
Howick Funeral Home Robert Johnstone - Mark Rowley 534 7300
Souly Funerals Beachlands 0800 47 68 59

GARAGE DOORS

Repairs & Service, Metro Garage Doors 263 6608

GARDEN CENTRE

Beachlands Mitre 10 536 6567

GLASS AND GLAZING

Howick Glass 535 4180

GUTTER CLEANING

Skyhigh Roof and Gutter Cleaning Ltd Website: www.skyhigh.nz 021 951 719

HAIRDRESSING

Cooper Hairdressing, 16 Te Pene Rd, Maraetai 027 329 1781

HANDYMAN SERVICES

Local Handyman: 536 5050 or 021 156 7370
Oakes Build Landscape Maintenance, www.oakes.nz 021 903 020

HEAT PUMPS

Auckland Wide Electrical 536 6800
AES - Auckland Energy Solutions Website: www.aes.nz 575 1191
Varcoe Air Conditioning & Heat Pumps Your local specialists www.varcoe.co.nz info@varcoe.co.nz 0800 088 888

HOUSE WASHING

Just Clean Me, Exterior Cleaning Services 022 089 2383
House washing, gutter cleaning, roof treatments, water blasting.
No Moss, Pressure Washing Solutions 021 989 274

JEWELLER

Paul Taylor Manufacturing Jewellers 536 4200
Repairs/Remodelling/Valuations/Insurance Replacements
Shop C/7, 129 Beachlands Rd, Pohutukawa Coast Shopping Centre

KITCHENS

Kitchen Craft Ltd, Ph Warren 09 274 4221
for Sizzling Kitchen Design & Cabinetry www.kitchencraft.co.nz

LANDSCAPING

Eastside Landscapes 021 484 158

LAUNDROMAT

Kiwi Laundry Co, www.kiwilaundryco.co.nz 022 463 8416
7 DAYS at GAS Maraetai, 131 Maraetai Drive, Maraetai 536 4218

LAWNMOWING & GARDENING SERVICES

F.K. SERVICES - Call Frank 027 415 3657
Greenacres - Stephen Howe 292 4165 or 021 2266 753
Prolawns (Beachlands based) Shane 021 746 887
R&R Garden ServicesRichie: 021 917 332, Roanne: 027 252 8183

LAWNMOWER SALES/SERVICE/REPAIRS

B'lnds/M'tai mower/chainsaw repairs 536 5621 or 027 308 7777
Greenmount Mowers & Chainsaws 09 970 4816

LEGAL SERVICES

Sutcliffe Matson Law 09 279 8351 or 021 327 030

LOCKSMITHS

Local Locksmith - Tony 536 5050 or 021 156 7370
Armstrong Smarter Security 0800 506 111

MARINE AND BOATING

Ovlov Marine Pine Harbour LTD 536 5249

MECHANICAL REPAIRS

Maraetai Automotive 536 6542
Pohutukawa Motors, 57 Third View Ave, Beachlands 536 6664
Garaway Autos 022 395 6185

MIRRORS

Howick Glass 535 4180

OUTBOARD REPAIRS/ MARINE ENGINEERING

Eastern Marine - Mercury Certified Service Centre - Outboards, sterndrive, petrol & diesel. 536 6252

PAINTERS & DECORATORS

East Auckland Painting Ltd 027 619 2619

PEST CONTROL

Coastal Pest Solutions (including rats, rabbits, possums, pest birds, wasps & bees) 536 6020 or 0273 932 125
Professional Pest Control 536 6690 or 021 078 3622

PET ACCOMMODATION

Pets at Whitford Spa and Stay (PAWSS) 530 8860

PHARMACIES

Unichem Beachlands Pharmacy 536 6500, fx 536 6590

PHYSIOTHERAPIST

Beachlands Physio beachlandspphysio.co.nz 09 222 4120

PILATES

Krystal Jeffery www.mypilatesstudio.co.nz 021 646 729

PLUMBERS

Dynamo Plumbing 0800 175 988
BF Brown Plumbing & Drainlaying 0800 477 455

PLUMBERS & GASFITTERS

Ashby Plumbing & Gas 292 2445 or 0272 553 499

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Rent People Ltd 0800 426 580
Ray White Beachlands - Five AM Property Management 536 7011
Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands 536 4990

PUMP SALES & REPAIRS

Auckland Electrical & Pump Services 536 4074, 0274 741 579
Malmaks Water Shop 530 8872, 021 353 158
Allwater Pumps and Supplies Ltd 09 536 5444, 027 536 5444
Clevedon Pumps & Filtration 027 479 7741

QUARRY

Manukau Quarries 263 0220

REAL ESTATE AGENTS

Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands 536 4990
Barfoot & Thompson Whitford 530 8292
Ray White Beachlands - Five AM Realty 536 7011

ROOF PAINTING SERVICES

Master Tradesman. Text details for fast service: 027 517 8494
Visit our website: www.5starroofpainting.co.nz

ROOF SOFTWASHING

Skyhigh Roof and Gutter Cleaning Ltd Website: www.skyhigh.nz 021 951 719

ROOFING SERVICES

Alba Roofing 021 584 530
Roofing & Spouting NZ Ltd 021 766 260

SCAFFOLDING

Scaffold Connect Ltd 021 235 5963 or 09 576 5879
DTS Wright Scaffolding Ltd 021 239 4276

SECURITY SYSTEMS

ADS Security Ltd (alarms & monitoring) 536 6860
Armstrong Smarter Security and Alarms 09 274 9999

SEPTIC TANK CLEANING

SST Services phone Rob 09 2947611 or 0274 967430

SURVEYORS - LAND

McInnes, Read & Lucas Ltd 298 7288
Churchill Land Development Services Ltd 273 4182
Survey Plus Ltd 020 4 SURVEY (020 4 787839)

TAXIS/TRANSPORT/SHUTTLES

Coast Shuttle - local hire & airport trips 536 6488 or 0274 722 613
Driving Miss Daisy 09 534 7712 or 021 174 9999
Country Roads - Let me take you home 021 084 28757
Airport transfers / Group Tours / School Runs
Info@country-roads.co.nz, Book online at www.country-roads.co.nz

TRAVEL - INTERNATIONAL & DOMESTIC

Clevedon Travel Brokers chrisshyashby@ttb.co.nz 027 273 9701
Travelselect Beachlands call Mark or Sam 536 6730
Beachlands Travel Broker phone Nicole 021 1769791
nicole.ambrusfy@thetravelbrokers.co.nz

TREE SERVICES

Coastal Cutters - coastalcutters@hotmail.com 021 196 6509
Jessep Contracting - JessepContracting.co.nz 022 607 4455

TYRES - SALES & SERVICE

Maraetai Automotive 536 6542
Pohutukawa Motors 536 6664
Tyre Guard - Mobile Tyre Service, Call Mike 021 901 034

UPHOLSTERY & CANVAS

Eastern Cover Centre. Boat & Outdoor Furniture Covers 535 7524

VALUERS - PROPERTY

Property Valuations Ltd, Papakura 299 7406

VETERINARY SERVICES

Franklin Vets - Pohutukawa Coast Shopping Centre, 538 0010
Beachlands, Open: Mon-Fri: 8am-6pm Sat: 9am-1pm
Pohutukawa Coast Vets - 43 Wakelin Rd, Beachlands 320 1472
Open: Mon-Fri: 8am-6pm Sat: 9am-12pm

WATER DELIVERY

Beachlands/Maraetai Water Supply 273 9763
Clevedon Water 292 8099
Whitford Water Supplies 530 8164
Maraetai Blue Ltd 536 6437, 027 536 6437
Carlton Haulage 0800 420 246
Coastal Water Cartage 0508 262 7825
WET AZZ - www.wetazz.co.nz 0800 WET AZZ (0800 938 2999)
A Plus Water 021 0727 163
PROWATER - Support Local, Ph Shane/Sheridan 021 530 727

WATER TANK CLEANING & REPAIRS

Maraetai Blue Tank Cleaning Call Jacob 021 029 84170
Clevedon Pumps & Filtration 027 479 7741

WATER TREATMENT

Malmaks Water Shop 530 8872, 021 470 588
Allwater Pumps and Supplies Ltd 09 536 5444, 027 536 5444
Clevedon Pumps & Filtration 027 479 7741

WEDDING VENUES

Te Puru Centre 536 5360
Maraetai Beach Boating Club 536 6649



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If you're thinking of building, our local team is here to help you every step of the way. Bring us your ideas and we'll work with you to design a home that suits your needs.

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