



MURUPARA COMMUNITY BOARD NEWSLETTER



Go paperless
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WIN!

Do you want to receive your rates invoices by email? Whakatāne District Council has launched an e-invoice service to save money and save time!

Sign up for e-invoices before 5pm Monday, 5 July and go in the draw to win one of these fantastic prizes:

- ★ Trip for four to Moutohorā with Moutohorā Island Sanctuary - Whale Island – valued at \$476
- ★ Four A:M Clothes T-shirts – valued at \$160
- ★ Ōhiwa Explorer guided kayak tour with KG Kayaks – valued at \$440
- ★ Two family passes with Awakeri Rail Adventures – valued at \$190 each
- ★ Four-person pass for the EPIC Escape – valued at \$128
- ★ 20 x Whakatāne Aquatic and Fitness Centre family passes – valued at \$15 each

Visit the Whakatāne District Council website for more information and to sign up >> whakatane.govt.nz/rates

Bridge strengthening work complete

A big thank you to residents for your patience during the recent strengthening of Rangitāiki Bridge No.49 on Galatea Road.

As the image shows, steel sections were installed under the bridge to bring it up to HPMV (High Productivity Motor Vehicle) standard. The work has immediate safety benefits for the community because milk tankers will now be able to use the bridge, rather than Pokairoa Road.



Influenza and COVID-19 vaccinations

Influenza (Flu) vaccines for all age groups have arrived, and are free for people with underlying health conditions. Please get in touch with the Murupara Medical Centre to make an appointment.

A two-week gap is required between a flu vaccination and the COVID-19 vaccination. If you've had your first COVID-19 vaccination, make sure you get the second dose and then have your flu vaccine two weeks afterwards.

A reminder that the Rotorua DHB can offer anyone older than 65 years, or with a chronic health condition, the COVID-19 vaccination. To book an appointment, please call 0800 115 117 or email covid.imms@lakesdhb.govt.nz. They need your name, date of birth, contact phone number and NHI number (contact the Medical Centre if you don't have it).

The Vaccination Hub is located at the Rotorua Central Mall, next to Noel Leeming, and is currently open Tuesday to Saturday. You must have an appointment booked to receive the vaccination. At this stage, it's likely that most COVID-19 vaccinations will be delivered at hubs and the Murupara Medical Centre doesn't anticipate being involved with this.

BE A TOURIST IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD

Huge congratulations to Manawa Honey in Ruatāhuna for taking out the 'Best Tasting Honey in the World' award at the 10th Black Jar International Honey Tasting Contest held in Asheville, USA.

Manawa Honey also offers eco-tours and cultural experiences – spread the word with your friends and whānau!

Find out more at manawahoney.co.nz today.



HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR DIRECT DEBIT?

Whakatāne District Council is encouraging ratepayers to take advantage of a new function to sign up online to pay their rates by direct debit. With cheques no longer accepted as a payment method, it's a great time to consider direct debit.

Direct debit is a safe and convenient way to pay your rates, and you can decide whether you pay weekly, fortnightly, monthly, per quarterly instalment or annually. If you use the new online direct debit registration form

before 5pm on Friday, 5 July you'll go in the draw to **win one of three \$200 grocery vouchers!**

To sign up for direct debit online, visit whakatane.govt.nz/direct-debit. You'll need your bank account details and the property's valuation number. Please call 0800 306 0500 if you need any help.



Please respect dog control areas

A reminder to please respect the dog control areas at Aniwhenua Reserve. As you can see from the map, no dogs are allowed around the playground area and must be on a lead elsewhere.



E mihi ana ki ngā kaiahuwhenua o te rohe

The Murupara Community Board warmly welcomes new 'moving day' farmers, who joined our district on 1 June.

We know you and your families will enjoy your time here and wish you all the best for the farming year ahead.

A special mention to Quinn and Samantha Morgan, who moved to Galatea recently. Quinn was awarded the Ahuwhenua Young Māori Dairy Farmer of the Year, after only being in the industry for just over a year. Congratulations to Quinn, and an acknowledgement to Samantha and their three children for their support.



Maara Kai mahi continues

Te Ika Whenua Hauora continues to deliver Maara Kai mahi in the community, providing support for groups wanting to set up sustainable community garden projects.

Te Rangikaheke, Bernie Hornfeck and the whānau from Kai Rotorua

& Te Paea Orchards have committed to involve 40 further whānau in Maara Kai, to support community members to prepare kai and feed their whānau. Reconnecting with Papatūānuku provides the opportunity for whānau to learn, work and grow together.



Advice on end-of-life services

Whakatāne District Council offers a range of end-of-life services. You can find information about cremation and burial arrangements, required paperwork, costs, how to arrange a headstone and cemetery maintenance on the Council website – whakatane.govt.nz/services/cemeteries-and-crematorium – or call 0800 306 0500 to speak to one of the cemeteries team members.

What's on



Kōrero with Council

WHEN: 10.30-11.30am Wednesday, 30 June

WHERE: Galatea Hall, Mangamate Road, Galatea

Murupara Community Board meeting

WHEN: 10am Monday, 19 July 2021

WHERE: Murupara Service Centre, Pine Drive, Murupara.

All members of the public are welcome to attend.



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