

Village Times

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Hilary Sumpter - Chief Executive.

Welcome... TO OUR NEWSLETTER

After four weeks at the Village I'm still very much in learning mode and finding my way around. I am so appreciative of the kindness and good will with which I've been greeted. This is a big change for my husband and me and although it's a return to Northland, it's still a new town, a new job and a new house, so it's all been a bit of a whirlwind. We are, of course, really thrilled to be here.

I've managed to get lost as I learn to find my way around in the Village, but now have that sorted out (I think) and when I have my trusty old Labrador Seal with me she makes sure we get to the right place. I'm getting to know our staff and residents, which will obviously take some time. With all I've got to learn it has been great to get the input of staff, residents and volunteers.

We have a special place here at the Village and one of the important things for me is that we remain an

integral part of the Kerikeri Community; where our residents and the rest of Kerikeri's population are our stakeholders – we are "By Kerikeri for Kerikeri."

I've spent a lot of time working in the community sector and I thrive on supporting people to have choices in their lives. Whilst this is my first time in aged care, I'm delighted to be able to work in this area to help our amazing staff and supporters to assist our residents in their living the way they want to.

I'm very excited to be here and looking forward to the challenge ahead; integrating the Village with the community and developing our facility with our staff so we can keep assisting people to live their lives in the way that's best for them. We will be addressing all areas over the next few years.

Thanks again to everyone for making me so very welcome.

3 cheers for our new chairs!

For over 20 years the Bay of Islands Day and Social Club has run monthly Community Dinners which are open to both residents and seniors from the wider community.

The Bay of Islands Day and Social Club consisted of around 20 core volunteers who did everything from the meal prep, to cooking and serving dinner, running raffles and doing the dishes (apparently this was the domain of the men).

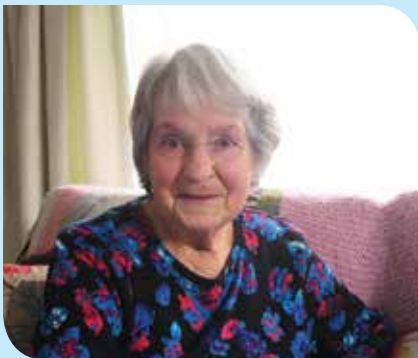
Eventually the Chefs decided it was time to hang up their aprons. Since no-one else could commit to cooking on a regular basis Neat Eats Catering took over, although the meal is still served by volunteers who also tidy up afterwards.

When the group wound up they donated the funds raised to purchase two Coraille Care Chairs for the Care Facility. Valued at over \$5,000, they are the Rolls Royce of wheelchairs and are far more comfortable and manoeuvrable for users and their caregivers.



Clinical manager Jan Bennenbroek (centre) with long serving club members Nell Graveson and Doug Turner.

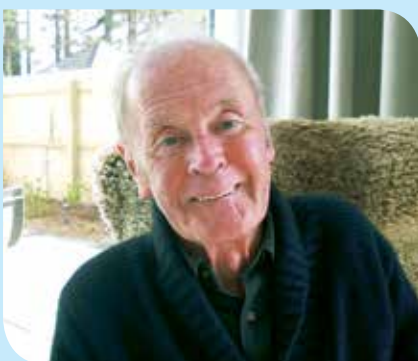
Welcome



Coleen Schischka



Lance Ibbetson



Ron Grant



DD & Tom Tulloch

101 Years Young!



Doris Robertson reached another milestone when she turned 101 on the 12th of June.

Doris (front row, second from the right) celebrated with her family at her granddaughter's home in Kerikeri.

Four generations gathered to mark the occasion with only the absences being "the Canadians" and two nephews who were also overseas at the time. Doris had a delightful day with her family and met her latest great-granddaughter Elsie.

Pippins Visit

Our Care Facility residents recently enjoyed a visit from the Kerikeri Pippins who spoiled them with some very tasty home cooking. They showed everyone their badges and provided plenty of entertainment.



New Staff Development Co-ordinator

We are committed to providing the highest standard of care and safety at the Village and to achieve that we focus on professional development. Our commitment includes upskilling our staff and helping them to achieve NZQA and industry qualifications.

With around 110 staff, including caregivers, nurses, maintenance, kitchen, cleaning, gardening and

administration staff at the village, managing that process is a big job and we now have a new Staff Development Co-ordinator with a broad range of skills.

Tina Silk is originally from Scotland and emigrated to Kerikeri 6 years ago. A Registered Nurse, with a background in Mental Health she says she is loving being part of such a "welcoming community"



and is "looking forward to the challenges" of her new role.

New Board Members & Secretary



BRENT HEWITT

Brent and his wife Josina have been married for over 39 years and have lived most of that time in Kerikeri.

Brent has been an accountant for over 30 years and currently works at Sumpter Baughen.

He gives considerable time to the community and is a longstanding Lions member.

A passionate rugby supporter, Brent is the President of the Board of Northland Rugby Union and has spent nearly three years volunteering as a referee and assisting with rugby management.

He loves spending time with his three children and two grandkids and enjoys fishing and gardening.



KEVIN HALL

Kevin was born in the Far North. He and his wife, Chris Lancaster, had a holiday home in the Bay of Islands for over 30 years but moved to Kerikeri full time three years ago.

Kevin was a scientist with the DSIR and later became involved in the IT industry. Prior to retiring he worked for Datacom, NZ's largest IT services company, for over 21 years in a variety of executive roles including overseeing the delivery and support of computer systems nationwide.

Kevin and Chris enjoy gardening, seeing grandchildren, playing croquet and local history. Chris has edited two books of Hokianga family stories.



CLIVE NICHOLSON

Clive is our Board Secretary.

Born and bred in Auckland, he and his wife enjoyed many holidays with family in Kerikeri before moving here for the lifestyle in 2016.

A retired Chartered Accountant, he has over 24 years' experience in the financial services sector and has assisted several not-for-profit charities with their finances.

Clive enjoys reading, photography and spending time with close friends and family.





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Theme Weeks



To keep things interesting and to provide our residents with a chance to reminisce, we often have themed weeks in the Care Facility. We create displays and events based around the theme and very often friends and family join us for the fun.

Recent themes have included 'Yellow Week', 'Ballroom Dancing' and 'A Taste of France'.

- 1 Receptionist Monica Boyd (yellow hat) and Operational Support Manager Cheryl Silich during Yellow Week.
- 2 Our Taste of France included this display built by Diversional Therapist Judi Brewer as well as some French cuisine.
- 3 Les & Judy Remnant put on a delightful ballroom dancing display in the Social Centre.

Congratulations!

LEN AND BARBARA



Len and Barbara Barbour celebrated 70 years of marriage on the 13th July. Len presented Barbara with a lovely bouquet and they enjoyed lunch with their daughters Margaret Mary and Michelle.

SELWYN AND LOIS



Best wishes also go to Selwyn and Lois Thompson who celebrated 75 years of marriage on 18th August with their family.

Podiatry Clinic available at Kerikeri Village



Anna Dawes

Anna Dawes of Kerikeri Podiatry is now running clinics at the Retirement Village.

Trained in the UK, Anna worked in Sussex as a National Health Service Podiatrist and then as a Podiatry Manager. Now a NZ Registered Podiatrist, Anna moved to Kerikeri in 2007 with her husband and two children and has been in private practice for over four years.

She is now running a Wednesday Podiatry Clinic for residents. This is a subsidised service and appointments can be booked at reception on 09 407 0070.

Anna also offers a fortnightly Tuesday clinic that is open to anyone and you can book a time by contacting Anna direct on 0210 267 1839.

Anna says it's very important for people with diabetes to have their feet checked every time they see the Practice Nurse as they can refer them for a free podiatry check if there is a clinical need. Podiatry funding is also available from WINZ, ACC, War Veterans and via the Northland Parkinson's Society.

Anna says many foot problems are caused by poor footwear. Replacing those old sloppy slippers with good, supportive footwear that can be worn indoors also reduces the risk of slips, trips and falls. No matter what state your feet are in she says "don't worry... I promise they will not be the worst I have ever seen!"

Wendywood Makeover

We have just completed refurbishment of the Wendywood Lounge. Our fresh new look includes a new fire surround and cosy electric fire, a new lounge suite and lovely fireside armchairs as well as a sliding entrance door to keep the heat in over the winter.



Annual Memory Walk

Join the 'Alzheimer's Northland Memory Walk' on Sunday 18th September starting at noon. The walk originally began as a way to help raise awareness of dementia in our local community and it also allows participants to remember family members and friends who have been affected by dementia.

You can register online at www.alzheimers.org.nz or ring the Kerikeri office on (09) 407 3010 for further information

If you are keen to participate, meet at the Kerikeri Domain by the library. T-shirts balloons, music and some refreshments will be provided. Participants can choose between a short or long walk, depending on how energetic they're feeling on the day.



Celebrating 95

Happy Birthday to Patricia Scott who recently celebrated her 95th birthday. Her daughter provided a beautiful cake and some bubbles to wash it down.

Thank you St John

Recently we discovered that we can no longer get batteries for our defibrillator. Robyn Williams, our Quality & Risk Co-ordinator, had a chat to Dale Bell who is a St John volunteer here at the Village. Dale took the matter to Ros Smith, the Area Committee Co-ordinator and Defibrillator Trainer for St John.

Ros handles placement of all the community funded defibrillators, ensuring they are located where they can do the most good. Ros replaced our unit with a wonderful new one and has been in to assist with training so that anyone who might have a need to use a defibrillator feels confident.



Dale Bell, Robyn Williams and Ros Smith with the new defibrillator.

AVAILABLE NOW - 2 bedroom cottage!



FEATURES

2 Bedrooms · New Kitchen · Modern Bathroom · Extra WC · Spacious Lounge & Dining · Garden Patio · Internal Access Garage



This lovely 2 bedroom cottage is located in a quiet, sunny cul de sac.

To arrange a viewing contact Frances Shaw 09 929 5836



Diary Dates

Bus Trip to Rawene

Tuesday 23rd September | 10.30am
Lunch at the Boat House. Bus leaves reception 10.30am.

Community Dinner

Tuesday 4th October | 5.30pm
In the Social Centre.

Afternoon Movie

Wednesday 12th October | 2.30pm
In the Social Centre.

Founders' Day

Sun 26th September.
Details on our website soon.

Darryls' Lunch Cruise

Friday 21st October | 10.30am
Haruru Falls. Bus leaves reception 10.30am.

Christmas Variety Show

Friday 25th November.
Details on our website soon.