

Minutes Bi-Monthly meeting

Snells Beach Ratepayers and Residents Association. SBRRRA

Date: Monday 2nd Sept 2024 **Time:** 7.30pm **Location:** Snells Beach School Hall

Present: David Burt, Eileen O'Loan, Alana Van Boheemen, Harrison Mitchell, Peter Beekman. Tim Holdgate RLB, David Whyman + 40 people

Apologies: Troje Botica, Maurie Hooper, Marilyn & Simon Owens, Andrew Burt

David Burt introduced himself – He has now taken on the chairman role for SBRRRA

Confirmation of previous minutes 6th May 2024 Anouska Brown, Jenny Bartlett

Matters/Actions arising from 1st July 2024 minutes:

Mahu East Pedestrian crossing:

- SBRRRA has followed up on the job logged with AT. This is for the re-sealing, repainting of the road signage and provision of more warning signs, The case # is still open and valid – but still with a pending status. File did have a 3 month start date for the the works – dated March 2024. Eileen rang AT and asked how long more do we have to wait for action? Query was to be passed onto relevant staff for reply – still no reply received. **ACTION:** SBRRRA to continue to follow up and perhaps escalate to Greg/RLB for a definitive time frame.
- Resident – Anouska Brown has video footage of a couple of near misses – will send onto Eileen.

Goodhall Reserve Skatepark.

- SBRRRA has contacted RLB and Geoffrey Pitman AC RLB Parks.
- The design has been completed and it is due to proceed to physical works next financial year - after June 2025. The budget for this is with RLB
- Eileen asked that if community could have some visibility over the design – but as the concept design is copyrighted to the developer and not the AC – this may be sensitive. However Geoffrey is investigating if it may be possible to circulate the finalised design. **Action:** SBRRRA to continue to follow up.

Freedom Camping: Bottom of SB Road.

- Clarification is sought on the freedom camping site at the bottom of SB Road.
- Residents also concerned re the freedom camping at the Kohiki Lane – beside Bayside Café/Nikau School building. No toilet amenities are provided and although vans should be self-contained – residents have witnessed and cleaned up after the campers, incl the removal of tissue and faecal matter. **Action:** SBRRRA to contact Geoffry Pitman for clarification and the process for the residents to follow if concerned

RLB report: Tim Holdgate gave an update.

- Gave notice that RLB has started the bi-monthly group public meetings/workshops. The Chair workshops. They have been very successful and well received so far. All community groups are welcome to attend and take any concerns directly to RLB. SBRRRA committee attends this. Next meeting in Oct . Ask Eileen if you wish to obtain attendance information for your community group.
- The new circular Warkworth bus routes 999 has started. It will be subsidised by the targeted Rodney rate for 2 years. We have to prove we need this service before AT will take it over. Use it or lose it. It leaves from outside the WW library on the hour and half hour. Circular route takes 20 mins.

- The targeted Rodney rate will continue to be used for transport initiatives. The fund has been divided into the different RLB subdivisions. This rate will end in the 2028 financial year
- Tim has recently been asked about access to the Hamatana Rd end of the cycleway. He has asked Watercare for a reopening date – nothing so far.
- **Cycleways:** Recently Tim met with Matakana Coast Trail Trust and walked thru the Hamatana/Grange cycleway – and across to Muncaster – the new route proposed in the proposed cycleways network for this whole area.
- **From the floor** – mention made that the Mahurangi Trail Society – is still awaiting resource consent for the Muncaster bridge as part of the local cycle trail network. It has been designed and is ready to go – but awaiting held up by the consent process.
- **The Mahurangi Trail Society** www.mahurangi.co.nz – was the original powerhouse behind the creation of our local Te Whau walkway and the Hamatana/Grange Rds cycleway/walkway. Locals building future amenities for locals.
- The AC Waterway Projection Fund (WPF). Funding is now available for local large block landowners. <https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/grants-community-support-housing/grants/regional-grants/Pages/eligibility-for-waterway-protection-fund.aspx>
- **From the floor - Watercare** –the safety barriers on the stormwater pipes across Mahurangi River estuary from the Te Whau walkway have been removed. Children are now playing on these pipes. A safety concern. Watercare was contacted but no real interest shown in the replacement of the barriers. Tim asked that information be sent to him for follow up. **Action:** SBRRRA also to monitor and contact Watercare

Correspondence: IN/OUT WALG minutes, WALG steering group minutes, community groups, AC re jobs logged, AC notices, emails to RLB members, Bacon Shack,

Financial report: 30 Aug 2024

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| Opening General funds | \$6,425.25 |
| Opening Camera funds | \$ 664.11 |
| Opening Balance | \$7,089.36 balance as of 26/6/2024 |
| Income | \$360.00 |
| Expenditure | \$ - |
| Closing balance | \$7,449.36 [General = \$6,785.25 + Camera = \$664.11] |

Accepted/Approved John Norman, Harrison Mitchell

New Business:

Bacon Shack: SBRRRA committee has offered support to the management of this enterprise on the waterfront beside Nikau School/ Bayside Café. Operator needs to apply for a consent to operate the business.

WALG Public Meeting – WW Town Hall Monday 16th Sept 7pm Notice of this meeting already sent out to members. SBRRRA will be attending. Everyone is welcome to attend. What future do you want for the Warkworth District?

Community Roundup: Sandspit Yacht Club, Mahurangi East Tennis Club, Less waste – Wastebusters, Mahurangi East Bowling Club, Snells Beach School PTA, Kowhai Festival, Heritage Mahurangi. See details below

Guest speaker: David Whyman. Owner/ Operator Snells Beach Four Square

- David Whyman and his daughter are local SB residents. Grew up in Auckland and enjoys boating on the Hauraki Gulf.

- Lived in Kerikeri upon his return to NZ. Worked in the New World at Kerikeri and” learnt the trade”. Opened his first shop at Waipapa Kerikeri – A speciality gourmet Nosh/ 4 Square. Shop has survived the closing of the Nosh franchise. He offered a new design for the local 4 SQ shops. Now rolling out across small town NZ
- 4 Square is under the Foodstuffs umbrella – New World, Pak n Save, Liquorland, Gilmours
- In the franchise agreement – operators must live local and be community focused. Only one franchise is allowed at a time. No multiple stores with absentee owners.
- Previously owned the Matakana Franchise, but gave up this franchise to bring a supermarket to the Mahurangi Peninsula. – his home village
- Planning, design and building the store has all taken time. But everything is on target for the opening **THURSDAY 3rd OCT 2024** Hours will be 7am – till 8pm at this stage.
- “What you want – when you want it and at a price you will pay”
- There will a” Food to go” kiosk at the front of the shop – seating, phone charger stations. Good coffee and great food.
- A very large generator has been installed – so power outages should have no impact on the store – and community able to charge phones etc if future community outage occurs.
- Size 1.000sq mtrs approx.
- Will have manual and self checkouts
- Electronic shelf labels – for price checking
- 20 local staff have been hired – ready to start very soon
- Questions from the floor.
 - Bakery – yes with speciality breads. Lotto and a wine and beer selection will be available
 - Access – from top outdoor carpark and from the underbuilding covered carpark.
 - Price Point – can’t match Pak n Save – a different shopping experience... but will endeavour to be competitive. A challenge for everyone – to compare the ordinary price points between the different shops.
 - Suppliers – David will be using his contacts within the Foodstuff family to bring the community the best prices he can. Will support local food producers and growers.
 - Rest of the Warehouse space – there is more interest in leasing this space now that the supermarket has come to town.
 - Sponsorship – will always support local initiatives. **EG:** A giant Easter Egg hunt 2025 fundraising event for the Highfield donkeys . Gold coin donation
 - Regular community nights, with cheese, champagne, wine etc, for the community to come and try, mix and mingle and socialise together..

Opening Thursday 3rd Oct 2024

Community opening event is still being planned ...watch this space

Community Roundup: Sandspit Yacht Club

- **America’s Cup Trophy visit – Sandspit Yacht Clubrooms Sandspit. Wed 18th Sept 6-8pm**
- Bring your family along for this not-to-be missed opportunity.
- get your photo taken with the trophy
- sign the Emirates Team New Zealand Supporters’ Sail
- send a message of support to the team
- watch the video
- meet the 4 Mahurangi College sailors taking part in the

- **NB:** the bar and restaurant will not be open for this event.
- Toyota Kiwi Cup Regatta taking place on the Waitemata 30 Sept-4 Oct.

Snells Beach School PTA: The Snells Beach School PTA is a collection of volunteer school parents that hold monthly meetings to organise fundraising events with all proceeds going back into the school.

- **We love Tennis** - Mahurangi East Tennis Club - 8th September - contributing baking, candy floss, cold drinks
- **Kids Movie** - Salty Dog (Upstairs) - Sunday 22 September
- **Golf Tournament** - Warkworth Golf Club - Sunday 20 October
- **SBS PTA Famous Quiz Night** - on hold until early 2024 once Mahurangi East Hall reopening date is announced

Future events still in planning:

- Kids Halloween Disco Late Oct/early Nov
- PTA Stall at Tractorama, Snells Beach /
- PTA Stall at opening of Four Square, Snells Beach opening weekend!

Your support is appreciated. pta@snellsbeach.school.nz Facebook - 'Snells Beach School PTA'

Mahurangi East Tennis Club – Mahurangi East Road

<https://www.mahutennis.co.nz/>

- **Open Day Sunday 8th Sept 10am – 12pm**
- **Club sessions we offer our members are.. Tuesday 4.30pm** - Singles/Teen Tennis/Inter Club practice, **Wednesday 9am** - Social Doubles, **Friday 5pm** - Social Doubles, **Saturday 9 -10am** - Adult and Child (Summer school term) **Saturday 1pm** - Social Doubles.
- **Coaching sessions. Adult coaching** - Contact Coach Hugo Santos: 022 311 3216 **Junior Coaching** - Wednesday & Thursday afternoon. Contact Hugo.
- **Fundraisers... The Great Summer Art Exhibition** <https://www.mahutennis.co.nz/art-expo> 30 December 2024 – 2 January 2025.

Less Waste – Lawrie Road Facility www.mahurangiwastebusters.co.nz

- This facility now open Wed – Sat 9am – 3pm
- They accept donations of recyclable items free of charge. Good quality, clean usable second hand goods – construction products, furniture, clothing toys etc...check website
- Orange council rubbish bags – free to drop off. General & Green waste charges apply
- Recycle shop open Wed – Sat 9-3pm.. Drive thru the yard for access
- **Event : FABRIC RESCUE - Textile Repair Cafe**

SATURDAY 21st SEPTEMBER 10-1pm @ Mahurangi Wastebusters Learning Hub - Less Waste, 55 Lawrie Road, Snells Beach

Can we mend it? We will try!

- Bring your clothing and textiles for repair and help save them from landfill!
- Our volunteers can mend rips, add elastic, reinforce tidy up school uniforms, shorten trousers, and more. Learn how to repair your items and give them new life.
- Please bring: Buttons, elastic, colour matched thread (or use what we have on hand)
- No items to repair? Come say hi and learn more about what we do!
- Free entry – Repairs by Koha
- We are accepting clean denim (rips ok), notions, and by arrangement other good-condition fabrics

Mahurangi East Bowling Club

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/mahurangieastbowls>

- **Have a go at bowls**, every Sunday. 1:30 – 4 pm Come into the clubrooms or contact Pauline Hill 027 693 8839
- **Funday Sunday** – Make up teams of 4 -6. \$5 green fee per player. 2-4 pm. Bowls available, bar open.
- **Twilight bowls– Wednesdays in November 6th, 13th,20st & 27th**. Get your teams entered. Contact Fiona Taylor 021 027 35271 or Karan Vaissiere 020 425 0163
- **Thursday night** - Fishing Club Raffles. All welcome. Bar open
- **Sunday** – Pétanque 2-4 pm

Sandspit Yacht Club Centreboard Sailing at Algies Bay

<https://www.sandspityachtclub.nz/learn-to-sail> or call Karyn on 09 425 9008.

- **Registrations open now. 2024/2025 season**
- **2024** Each Sunday for 8 weeks, Level 1 & 2: 20 Oct – 15 Dec, 9am-3pm.. **2025** Each Sunday for 8 weeks, Level 1 & 2: 2 Feb – 23 Mar, 9am-3pm
- **2024** Each Wednesday for 8 weeks Level 3: 16 Oct – 4 Dec, 4pm-7pm. **2025** Each Wednesday for 8 weeks Level 3: 5 Feb – 26 Mar, 4pm-7pm
- **Race days: Sat 7 Dec & Sat 22 Mar.** (For all adults & juniors who own a centreboard – public welcome).
- **Coaching** for youngsters age 9-14yrs in Optimist and O'pen Bic boats.

Kowhai Festival 12-20th Oct 2024 www.kowhaifestival.co.nz Theme this year is - Vintage Fashion throughout the decades.

- This festival has been running for 52 yrs.
- **Sat 12 Oct** - the Great Debate..WW Town Hall 6-9pm Tickets \$35 purchased from Tui House, Harts Pharmacy, Mahurangi Matters, WW Info Centre
- **Sat 19 Oct** - The festival Day. Wharf Street - The food trucks - 10-8pm Queen Street - market stalls 9-4pm. Entertainment – White Chapel Jak band. 9am – 8pm. Some stall space still available

Kowhai Coast Youth Trust - www.kcyt.org.nz "Providing opportunities for today's children"

- Help and funding is available (health, education, cultural & sport) - please apply online

Heritage Mahurangi Inc. Protection, preservation and promotion of all things of local heritage value in the greater Warkworth area.

- **Sat 9 Nov 2024.** Warkworth founders Day. River Pageant - heritage boats. Also hosting a gathering of the founding families.
- Historic plaque project. These plaques will be placed on the historic buildings/sites within Warkworth. They will have a QR code to scan for further in depth information on the building or site.
- Also available is an “Historic Walks around Warkworth” pamphlet. Avail from the information centres in Warkworth and Matakana and from the Local libraries

Local events still in planning: - More details to come

Tractorama – TBC -Sat 30th Nov Snells Beach . Awaiting resource consent – More details to come once consented.

Snells Beach/Algies Bay Xmas in the park – Fri 13 Dec. More info to come A fundraising event for the Mahurangi East Volunteer Fire Station.

Warkworth Santa Parade and Carols – Sat 7th Dec