



Moanariri Bull Creek



Bulletin

no. 2 27 Dec 2014



Holiday activities timetable

Tides

Sunday 28 th December	1pm	Sports Day	Wanda, Ann Kerry,	8.40am High 3pm low
Sunday 28 th December	6pm 7pm	BBQ by Shelley Beach Talent Quest	Billy, Gordy Coral, Tammy	
Monday 29 th December	10am	Bon Fire Building	Gordy, Billy, Robin	9.40am High 4pm low
Monday 29 th December	4pm judge	Sand Castle Competition	Joy, Coral	

Thank you Grant for organizing a great fishing competition. It was so good to see such a wide variety of fish this year. A lovely calm sea meant the fishermen in boats were able to spend all morning out catching a variety of fish: barracuda, trumpeter, moki, parrot fish, blue cod, red cod, jock stewart, conger eel, carpet shark,





Inshore Competition

Largest Fish	Skate	4.4kg	Clark crib
Largest crayfish	Crayfish	2.25kg	Clark crib
Wrasse	1 st	0.923kg	Riley Dickson
	2 nd	0.900kg	Gareth Maybee
	3 rd	0.750	Natasha Maybee
	3 rd	0.750	Sam McDonald
Flounder	4 th	0.550	Charlie Smail
	1 st	0.94	Rosabel Fleury-Auld
	2 nd	0.67	Aliya Auld
	3 rd	0.63	Maxwell Fleury-Auld
Starfish	1 st	38.5cm	Natasha Maybee
	2 nd	25cm	Sam Calder
	3 rd	0.28	Box Starfish
Freshwater Fish	1 st	0.166kg	Lobster
Horny/ Thornfish	1.	0.73	Max Devlin
	2.	0.52	Riley Dickson
	3.	0.18	Sam Calder
Crab	1.	0.300	Clark crib
	2=	0.36	Sam Gamble
	2=	0.36	Max Devlin
Most unusual fish	Nemo Fish		Isabelle Trewern
Marvellous bucket			Lily, Riley Dickson.



Offshore Competition

Heaviest Fish	1.	Conger Eel	7.0kgs	John Taal
	2.	Carpet Shark	5.10kg	Chris Maybee
	3.	Carpet Shark	4.85kg	Sarah Gamble
Blue Cod	1.	2.4kg		Kerry Trewern
	2.	2.1kg		Robin Gamble
	3.	2.1kg		Mark Butler
Red Cod	1.	1.6kg		Robin Gamble
	2.	1.55kg		Kerry Trewern
Barracuda	1.	2.45kg		Robin Gamble
	2.	1.65		Ross Shearer
	3.	1.45		Chris Maybee
Jock Stewart	1	1.45		Ross Shearer
	2	1.40		Kerry Trewern
	3.	1.30		John Taal
Trumpeter	1.	0.75		Brian Roughan
Moki	1	1.05kg		Jamie Devlin
Dog Fish	1.	1.55		Brian Roughan
	2.	1.40		Chris Maybee
Wrasse	1.	0.60		Chris Maybee
	2.	0.45		Mark Butler
Scarlett Parrot Fish	1	0.45		Chris Maybee
Scorpion Fish	1	0.45		Chris Maybee
Paua	1	0.797kg		Jamie Devlin





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What a beautiful day for Sports Day and a great turn out from crib owners, Thank you very much to the many helpers who ensured we had such a successful day.



Reminders : Please make sure you have fresh batteries in your crib smoke detectors.

Dogs : Please remind visitors for the day that all dogs must be on leads.

To Sell : 1 lawn mower- see Mark Butler
1 couch/divan see Joy & Allan Murdoch

Found: A set of Toyota keys near Grays Beach

Holiday activities timetable			
Monday 29 th December	10am	Bon Fire Building Meet by the swing 10am	Gordy, Billy, Robin
Monday 29 th December	4pm judge 6pm certificates on the green.	Sand Castle Competition	Joy, Coral
Tuesday 30 th December	11am meet on green.	Scavenger Hunt	Steve W



Rata: This summer is turning out to be an exceptional year for Bull Creek Rata flowering. It has been maybe 25 years since so many trees have been in flower. So wonderful to see.



Sports Day Results 28.12.2014

Sprints

8-9 yrs girls	1 st Erin Willis	2 nd Renee Willis	3 rd Briana Trewern
8-9 yrs boys	1 st Leo Shearer	2 nd Sam Gamble	
6-7yrs girls	1 st Paige Trewern	2 nd Alia Auld	
6-7ys boys	1 st Thomas Trewern	2 nd Teli Stephenson	
4-5 boys	1 st Charlotte Beynon		3 rd
4-5 girls	1 st Frankie Shearer	2 nd Blake Fairley	3 rd Tui Stephenson
3 & under	1 st Oscar Trewern	2 nd Max Devlin	3 rd Elsie Shearer
10,11 yrs girls	1 st MacKenzie Baines	2 nd Lily Gamble	3 rd Kristin Willis
10, 11 yrs boys	1 st Will Fairley	2 nd Nick Fairley	3 rd Lucas Shearer
12-13 girls	1 st Tayla Frost	2 nd Shawnie Morris	3 rd Mia Gamble
12-13 boys	1 st Maxwell Fleury-Auld		
Boys 14-15	1 st Ethan Morris	2 nd Gareth Maybee	3 rd Sam Calder
Girls 14-15	1 st Mackenzie Frost	2 nd	3 rd
Women's open	1 st Jordan Shearer	2 nd Angie Aire	3 rd Nicole Devlin
Open Mens	1 st Jay Cooper	2 nd Nick Auld	3 rd Brett Gamble

Three Legged race

11-15	1 st Kristin Willis Renee Willis	2 nd Gareth Maybee Sam Calder	3 rd Mia Gamble Lily Gamble
6-10	1 st Maddie Fairley Nick Fairley	2 nd Josiah Stephenson Will Fairley	3 rd Lucas Shearer Leo Shearer
open	1 st Justin McEntyre Callum Hayde	2 nd Kristie & Ross Shearer	3 rd Dean & Ethan Shearer

Water Balloons

Under 12	1 st Lucas & Leo Shearer		
Open	1 st Brett and Mia Gamble	2 nd Ross & Kristie Shearer	3 rd ?

Wheelbarrow Race

11-15	1 st Gareth Maybee Sam Calder	2 nd Mia Gamble Lily Gamble	3 rd Renee Willis Kristin Willis
8-10	1 st Maddie Fairley Nick Fairley	2 nd Lily Gamble Isabella Trewern.	3 rd Brianna Trewern Sam Gamble
Under 8	1 st Thomas Trewern Paige Trewern	2 nd Frankie Shearer Ross Shearer	3 rd Aidan Ealson Craig Ealson
Open	1st Jay Cooper Megan Wootten	2nd Mia Gamble Brett Gamble	?

Novelty Golf

Men	1 st Ethan Morris	2 nd Sam Calder	3 rd Robin Gamble
Women	1 st Fiona Auld	2 nd Ngaire Lindie	3 rd Kerry Trewern

Bull Creek Grunt

Under 10 boys	1 st Leo Shearer	2 nd Thomas Trewern	3 rd Sam Gamble
Under 10 girls	1 st Isabella Trewern	2 nd Brianna Trewern	
11-15	1 st Maxwell Fleury-Auld	2 nd Ethan Morris	3 rd Gareth Maybee
11-15	1 st MacKenzie Baines	2 nd Lily Gamble	3 rd Kristin Willis
Mens open	1 st Brett Gamble	2 nd Nick Auld	3 rd Kieran Phillip
Women's open	1 st Ngaire Linde		

Ping Pong Relay

	1 st Blake McPherson Fairley	2 nd Bradley Beynon	3 rd Max Devlin
Adults	1 st Auld family	2 nd Phillip Family	3 rd Shearer
Children	1 st Thomas, Sam Isabella, Lily Paige Brianna	2 nd = Shearer: Shawnie, Ethan, Aidan, Leo, Frankie, Lucas	2 nd = Willis & Fleury Auld Renee, Kristin, Erin, Maxwell, Rosabell, Alia

Tug of war

Open	1 st Shearers,	2 nd Broome/ Willis	3 rd Phillip, Butler
Children	1 st SheDevils	2 nd Willis	3 rd Gamble

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Tennis Ball Relay

	1 st	2 nd	
Kids	1 st Brianna, Paige, Isabella, Lily	2 nd Lily, Thomas, Maxwell, Miro & Rata	3 rd Erin, Kristin, Renee, Rosabell
Open	Shearer: Rosso, Deanage, Eman, Surething	Fisherman, John Taal, Alan Phillip, Billy Dickson, Robin Gamble	Gambles: Brett, Sarah, Mia and Sam

Under 5 Potato Hoop

Under 5	1 st Blake Fairley	2 nd Max Devlin	3 rd Oscar Trewern
5-6	1 st Charlotte Beynon	?	3 rd Tui Stephenson





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Newsletter no 4 29 Dec 2014

Reminders : Please make sure you have fresh batteries in your crib **smoke detectors**.

Dogs : all dogs must be on leads.

Offers for sale : 3 in 1 colour printer (Bull Creek crib owners) see Coral
 1 lawn mower- see Mark Butler
 1 couch/divan see Joy & Allan Murdoch

Still unclaimed A set of Toyota keys near Grays Beach

About rata

Rata trees, along with the pohutukawa, are one of the best known native trees in New Zealand. The rata and pohutukawa belong in the myrtle family of trees. Other members of this family include manuka, kanuka and swamp maire. There are two main types of rata, the northern and southern.

Rata trees have glossy dark green leaves and trunks that are often gnarled and twisted. However they are best known for their brilliant red flowers that appear in profusion from November to January, depending on location, and can be seen from some distance away.

The trees tend to flower well only once every few years and seem to favour the high rainfall conditions of the West Coast.

Native birds such as the tui, bellbird and kaka all benefit from the presence of rata trees in the forest.

Rata trees cannot tolerate browsing from Possums. A mature tree can be killed in three years with intensive browsing and even young trees, although they can survive for longer, will eventually die if browsed regularly. When the browsed trees eventually die back, the canopy, or top layer of the forest, is then opened up. Once the canopy is open, the trees are exposed to storms, insects and diseases and will suffer further.

Healthy Rata Trees can live for 500 years. They provide nectar for Tuis and Bellbirds.

Tuesday 30 th December	11am	Scavenger Hunt	Steve W	Tide high: 10.50am low 5pm
Tuesday 30 December	1.30pm	Conservation Work	Coral Gordy	
Wednesday 31 st December	9.30pm 12pm	Children's bonfire Adults bonfire		
Thursday 1 st January	4pm	Golf	Robin G	
Friday 2 nd January	2pm 4pm	Prize giving colouring- in Home brew	Kerry Ken & Dianne	

Tuesday 30 Dec 1.30pm: Conservation Work

Any helpers with snips, saws, spades, weed eaters to work on the small area across the bay.

Weeding around natives that have been planted. Cutting and removing broom and gorse.

Planting any small natives that people may have potted up.

Removal of grass from the sand around the mouth.

Photos from the wonderful talent quest in the next newsletter.



Sand Castle Competition 29 Dec 2014



Shearer Crib	Hatching Dragon		Overall Most Outstanding sand sculpture
Sue & Anna Taal	Mermaid & Island		Most outstanding sand sequence
Natasha Maybee	Turtle Family		Most outstanding Junior Sand Sculpture
Tui, Tali, Josiah & Paul	Meteorite Hole		Most Amazing Hole
Dick Family	Boat	2nd	Best family boat
Trewern Family	IBTDO boat	1st	Best Family boat
Tania & Fiona Auld	Heart		Best Moulded Sculpture
Rata Williams & Family	Dragon	2nd	Dragon sand sculpture
Children			
Maria & Caleb Geary	Castle	1st	Under 10 Sand sculpture castle
Jack Lockhart	Turtle	1st	Under 11 sand sculpture
Lachie	Fisherman's paradise	2nd	Under 11 boys sand sculpture
Bradley, Max, Annabel, Eva	King Kong Castle	3 rd	Under 11 boys sand sculpture
Max Fleury Auld, Joseph Devlin	Lighthouse	3rd	Under 13 sand sculpture
Annabel & McKenzie	Make up table	2nd	Under 11 sand sculpture
Annabel & McKenzie	Volcano	3rd	Under 11 sand sculpture
Eva & Mathias	Jellyfish		Best use of seaweed
Taylor Frost & Clara Scoon	castle	1st	Under 13 best castle
Rory McDonald	Stag	1st	Best animal sculpture under 13
Amy Lockhart	Heart	1st	Best Sand sculpture under 13 girls
Rosabell Fleury Auld	Rugby ball	2nd	Sand sculpture under 13 girls
Alia Auld	Floral Garden		Best under 7
Lachie & Kim	Toko Rugby Field		Best Sporting sand sculpture under 10
Leah Philip	My little ponies		Best decorated
Pre School Entries			
Elsie Shearer	Sand castle		Best use of shells
Riley, Hunter & Chase	Castle		Best family group under 5
Hadley Philip	Dinosaur Castle		Best under 4 years







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Newsletter no 5

31 Dec 2014

Offers: 3 in 1 colour printer (Bull Creek crib owners) see Coral
 1 lawn mower- see Mark Butler
 1 couch/divan see Joy & Allan Murdoch

About Ti Kouka / Cabbage Trees

Known to Māori as **tī kōuka**, the tree was used as a source of food, particularly in the South Island, where it was cultivated in areas where other crops would not grow.

Māori used cabbage trees as a food, fibre and medicine. The root, stem and top are all edible, a good source of starch and sugar. The fibre is separated by long cooking or by breaking up before cooking. The leaves were woven into baskets, sandals, rope, rain capes anchor ropes, fishing lines, , waterproof rain capes and cloaks and other items and were also made into tea to cure diarrhoea and dysentery. .

Cabbage trees were also planted to mark trails, boundaries, urupā (cemeteries) and births, since they are generally long-lived.

Cabbage trees have lovely scented flowers in early summer, which turn into bluish-white berries that birds love to eat. Growing 12 to 20 metres high, cabbage trees have long narrow leaves that may be up to a metre long. As the plant gets old, the stems may die but new shoots grow from any part of the trunk. The bark is thick and tough like cork, and a huge fleshy taproot anchors the tree firmly into the ground.

The trunk of the cabbage tree is so fire-resistant that early European settlers used it to make chimneys for their huts. Conveniently, too, the leaves made fine kindling. They also brewed beer from the root.

Although widespread and abundant, cabbage tree populations have been decimated in some parts of New Zealand. Planting cabbage trees in gardens and land restoration projects will play an important role in maintaining cabbage trees in New Zealand.



Wednesday 31st December	9.30pm 12pm	Children's bonfire at Shelly Beach Adults bonfire- down Flax Avenue		5.30am low tide 11.50am High
Thursday 1st January	4pm	Golf	Robin G Ali	
Friday 2nd January	2pm 4pm	Prize giving colouring-in Home brew	Kerry Ken & Dianne	

Working Bee: Conservation Work

What a fantastic clean up! Thank you very much to the 10 people who worked across the bay for 2 hours yesterday. In 1994 this area was part of a sheep paddock, a couple of cribowners have been planting natives and now many of these are well established. Any help in managing broom, gorse and clearing away grass from the base of plants would be very helpful.

It is wonderful to see this area beginning to return to what it was 100 years ago.



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Bull Creek's got talent 28 Dec 2014.

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Newsletter no 6

2nd Jan 2015



What a stunning first day for 2015.
The beach was packed with people enjoying the surf or creek all day.

Golf on New Years Day

After a delayed start due to High Tide, it was a decisive win to the Gambles that saw the hallowed Golfing Trophy returned to Tiromoana.

Top scorers: Richard Devlin from "The Gambles team
Bruce Johnston from The Campbells team

Final Score Gambles 121 Campbells 112



Bull Creek Calendars

There are still 8 calendars left. Contact Coral if you wish to get one

Today

Colouring In Competition Results:
Bull Creek Shed: 2pm

Home Brew competition at Ken & Diannes garage 4pm
Entries by 1.30pm.



New Year's Eve 31.12.14

The only blast of severe weather this holidays arrived just before the childrens's bonfire. It was great that so many families braved this storm and watched the 9.30pm bonfire and fireworks. Children loved their sparklers.

Thank you to the adults who spent time shifting the bonfire to a safer location and also to those who lit the fireworks and stayed with the fire afterwards to make sure it was safe.



Results of Talent Quest

Best Family Group: Ross, Kristie & Kids- Zippity Doo Da

Best Group Dancers: Shearers Rock n Roll Dancers

Best child Musical Instrumentalist- Emily

Best Musical & singer duo. PJ Uke

Best Lip Sync: Isabella's Trio -Build a snowman

Best Silly song & actions: Gamble Kids- row, row

Best solo dancer: Emily

Most charismatic performer: Jamie Ray

Best Junior Dance: Nicole and Children. Goodship lollypop

Best dancing partnership : Anna & Glenys

Best choir: Mark Butler & friends: Robin's Moon Arising

Overall Best Trio: Shearer family



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4th Jan 2015



Colouring-In Competition

Thank you to Kerry for organizing and judging this event.

Prizes were given to children on 2nd Jan.

Bull Creek Calendars

There are still 5 calendars left. Contact Coral if you wish to get one.



Bull Creek Pine

Several years ago the well known Bull Creek Pine Tree was identified by Otago University Botanists, as a Maritime Pine *Pinus pinaster*.. nearing 100 years old.

(perhaps we need a birthday party!)

Replanting area across the bay.

In this photo are some of the plants that are now well established. There are Rata's, Rimu's, kowhais etc that are now doing well. In these very dry conditions it would be helpful if beach goers would do some watering to the significant plants.



2nd January

Home Brew- Thank you very much to Ken & Dianne for the wonderful venue. Many cribowners put entries in this fun event. We all had a great time.

Devlins/ Shearers Bake Off

The Shearers were the winners of this cooking battle, winning the Nemo trophy in the 2015 salmon competition.



Home brew competition 2015

	First	2nd	3rd
Lager	Robin Gamble Shield	Alan Murdoch	Kerry Trewern
Draught Beer	Robin Gamble Shield	Robin Gamble	Billy Dickson
Dark Beer	Kerry Trewern		
Cider	Dean Williams	Dean Williams	
Spirits	Irish Whisky Ken Wright	Whisky Graeme Hanson	
Liquers	Sambucca Dianne Lane-Wright		
Punch	Roughans		
Wine	Roughans Devils Wine		
Whatever Cocktails-Cream	Caribbean Dream John Butler	Sailors Wife John Butler	Chocolate Dream Coral Butler
Whatever Cocktails-Fruit	Ask your Father Dibbley Passion Perfect	Henry Villa 1st= Caitlin, Toni, Cassidy 1st= Coral Butler 1st=	
Whatever Cocktails-Clear	Chocolate Log Roughans 1st= Fiona's Hot shots 1 st = Justin & Fiona Currie 1st=	Cranberry Cosmo Pat Currie	Botanical Bootleg Sue Nelson

