



Monthly Newsletter

April - May 2026

IN MEMORY OF SHIRLEY



Shirley was a much loved and respected member of the Trust and our village community, and most importantly, a friend to us all. We will miss her positive and vibrant energy, and we know her absence is felt by many residents here. Our thoughts are with her daughter Sheenah, her husband Gary, and the rest of her family at this time.

Shirley's family has kindly invited the village to an informal celebration of her life on Saturday, 2nd May at 1:00pm, to be held at the sports complex. Finger food and refreshments will be provided, and all are warmly welcome.



WATER REPORT



The boil water notice remains in place.

Murray is working closely with specialists, and we have received one clear test result so far. **However, as a precaution, we ask that all drinking water continues to be boiled until further notice.**

Current guidelines recommend at least two additional consecutive clear test results before the notice can be lifted.

Health authorities have also been in contact. If you experience any symptoms consistent with E. coli infection, please contact your GP as soon as possible.

WATER FILTERS

If you have a kitchen tap filter system, we remind and encourage you to replace the cartridge regularly to ensure it remains effective and free from bacteria.

WELCOME TO THE TRUST

In our last newsletter, we welcomed Rodger Murphy, who has taken over the finance portfolio from Keith McKay.

We would also now like to welcome Mark Murray and Phi Wilson to the Trust.

Many of you will know Mark from the Complex, where he serves as President of the bowling club. Having previously served on the Trust, Mark is now retired and looking forward to contributing once again.

Phi will be supporting Murray and Pat in the role of resident trustee. With her previous experience on the Trust as Secretary and Administrator her involvement will be no doubt be valuable.

These are interim appointments, with formal positions to be confirmed at the AGM later in the year.

RESIDENTS BUDGET MEETING

The Annual Residents' Budget Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 28th May at 10:00am in the Hall.

This provides one month's notice of any proposed increases to the monthly maintenance fee for the next financial year beginning 1st July 2026.

Emma and Rodger are currently preparing the budget, and both the budget and proposed maintenance fee will be circulated in the week prior to the meeting.

We encourage all residents to attend if possible, as this is an important opportunity to stay informed and have your say.

Morning tea will be provided by the Trust.

UNIT 25 - PROGRESS REPORT



We are now on the home straight and nearing handover. The Trust completed a walkthrough of the unit last week with site manager Corina. The interior has come together nicely, with walls painted, carpet laid, kitchen and bathroom installed, and lighting currently being fitted. The next stage will focus on completing the exterior and landscaping, including tidying the surrounding and neighbouring areas - followed by concreting and construction of the deck. Completion is expected by the end of May. An offer from Bill McQuinn has been accepted and we are moving towards a settlement. Once again we thank the residents, particularly those in close proximity for their patience during the construction process.

UNITS 9 AND 29 FOR SALE

Unit 9 is currently being prepared for sale and Unit 29 is also on the market. Any queries from any interested parties please refer to Emma - info@nrv.co.nz

INSURANCE CLAIMS



Any insurance claims please contact our broker.
Simon Ross - Broker - 027 248 0522
and simon.ross@ajg.co.nz
Weekends/after hours - 0800 276 624

OTHER VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

- > Digit have been contracted to fix the pothole outside Number 40 and number 25 as well as the Hall driveway/kerbing, timing tbc.
- > Dave Wigger has been contracted to fix the broken fence on the Pine Road walkway, timing tbc.
- > The request submitted to WDC to fix the footpath on Kakariki road outside the boat storage behind number 14 was approved and they have advised it has been included in next months (May) work schedule.
- > The Security Camera - Jarrad Tipene - JT Electrical is on the job! We thank you for your patience.
- > Northland Plumbing drainage specialist will be putting cameras through the system sometime next month to help identify any drainage issues.
 - > Murray has sourced pricing for slimline rainwater tanks for garden use, starting from \$805 for 1,000 litres (bulk deal). If you are interested email info@nrv.co.nz.
 - > Northpower have indicated that 5 of our electrical pillars are needing upgrading, we are currently working on details.
 - > Fire Drill - Terry is still working on this.

PETS VISITING

Reminder: If you have a pet visiting your home, you must comply with the Pets Visiting Policy. Please email info@nrv.co.nz if you would like a copy.

Social Club News



Happy April Birthdays to: The 2 Margarets – Margaret Pengelly and Margaret Blackhall, Pat Milich, Blue Thomson and Ken Roddis.

NOTE FROM PHI WILSON

Sadly, Shirley Coker passed and the family have had a private funeral as per Shirley's wishes. Those of us who have thoroughly enjoyed Shirley's vibrant company over the past 3 years will have one last chance to celebrate her life on 2nd May in the Ngunguru Sports Complex. All are welcome to attend.

Shirley's house will come on the market soon and there has been much toing and froing from the family to gather up mementos that Shirley left them. There is, however, one large piece of furniture that Sheenah has asked me to advertise to the villagers and a photo of the quality settee is as shown. If you are interested, please get in early and contact Sheenah. This will soon be offered to the general public.



EVENTS

Our Northland Weather has a lot to answer for – and once again it has managed to thwart the best laid plans. Although our Robbie Burns event could not take place on 12 April, PENCIL IN 2ND OCTOBER as our artists have agreed to the postponement until then. If you have friends who wish to have a refund, please contact me, otherwise the tickets will stay on hold until October.

Waipu 'Stars in their eyes' Theatre Show is 25th, 26th and 27th June - Deni is doing her best to secure tickets for us on the Saturday night 27th June, but if not possible, she will book one of the other nights. These shows notoriously sell out fast and Deni will be approaching residents to see who would like to attend. First in first serve.

Instead of the mid-Winter Xmas Dinner - your Social Club has opted to celebrate Matariki on July 26th. Watch this space!

And there are more events in the pipeline for the remainder of the year.

HAPPY HOUR



Happy Hour on 5th April was a fun afternoon and our Shirley was in her element as the Wascally Wabbit (Rory's name for her) as he tried to pin the tail on the Wabbit!!

Our next Happy Hour is on 3rd May and I will send out a flyer as to what we may be doing on that day.

BINGO

Tuesdays on pension day - big thanks to Deni and the team!

By The Way:

Resident Trustee's are available at the Village Hall on the 1st Monday of the month at 1p.m.
The Trust meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at 3p.m. for its monthly meeting.

Cheers, Phi Wilson