

NOVEMBER 2024

WHANGAREI AREA
NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT

NEWSLETTER



Kia ora! A well-connected community helps to improve the safety, resilience and well-being of all residents.

By joining now, you will:

- Have a great way to get to know the people that live around you.
- Receive emails and alerts that will keep you up-to-date with news from our community partners, including NZ Police.
- Gain tips and resources to improve your household and neighbourhood safety.
- Learn how you can be better prepared for emergencies.
- By working together we can support each other, solve local issues and make our neighbourhoods safer and more welcoming.

Best of all, it's FREE to join!

- **NEXT NEWSLETTER - Want to share your thoughts?** Let us know how you're spreading kindness this month by tagging us in your social media posts, or emailing your photos, videos, and experiences to **wans.coordinator@gmail.com**. Deadline: 15th of the Month **Regards, The WANS Team**

RESPECTFUL CONNECTIONS
NOVEMBER NATIONAL THEME

• Welcome to the Whangarei Area Neighbourhood Support Newsletter for November 2024

This year is moving along quickly. It is going to be a busy month starting off with Respectful Connections (1st Nov - 31 Nov).

Halloween (31st Oct 2024)
Guy Fawkes Day (5th Nov 2024)

At the moment the WANS Coordinator is updating and reviewing the WANS community database as it is being upgraded.

Please email wans.coordinator@gmail.com to update your contact details, to stay on or if want to be removed.

- **The website and WANS community database is being updated in November 2024.**



NOVEMBER NATIONAL THEME

Each month Neighbourhood Support New Zealand launches a national theme where we focus on a topic relevant to the time of year, or which ties in with another campaign in the community. The idea behind this is that by having one common mission, our members and supporters can come together at a national level and focus on a single cause, allowing us to maximise our impact.

How members and supporters take part is completely up to the individual or group! You may want to simply share our posts on social media, or organise an event / project that ties in with the theme. These themes are not meant to replace the work our organisations already perform day to day, but rather provide another opportunity to raise awareness for important issues, and show others what Neighbourhood Support is all about.

Respectful Connections - November 1st to 30th

This month we're raising awareness about the importance of respectful connections. Feeling safe and connected is a key driver of wellbeing and resilience for both individuals and communities. Creating safer communities means we are active participants in ensuring that no one lives in fear of harm, abuse or bullying, whether out and about in the neighbourhood or in their own home.

For the month of November - in line with [White Ribbon Day](#) (25 Nov) - we want to raise awareness and work together to end all forms of violence, such as family harm, elderly and child abuse, sexual assault, and bullying. Anyone can be affected by incidents of violence and abuse, and it can have a lasting effect that spills into our everyday lives, including relationships, work, and schooling. Please be an active participant this month, you could consider learning more about how to hold a safe discussion if you think someone you know is experiencing violence or abuse, consider supporting a women's refuge, or just take the time to ask a few people in your neighbourhood how they're doing.

Let us know how you're helping to create respectful connections at home or in your neighbourhood, by tagging us in your posts or emailing your photos, videos, or experiences to wans.coordinator@gmail.com.

Next Month's Theme December 2024 - Reaching out, giving back, and helping others out during the holiday seasons.

MONTHLY QUOTE

"Treat people the way you want
to be treated. Talk to people the
way you want to be talked to.
Respect is earned, not given."

~ King Hussein Nishah ~



RESPECTFUL CONNECTIONS
NOVEMBER NATIONAL THEME

REGULAR EVENTS

 **Men-Tall Mental Health Support - Monthly Barbershop Chats** - every third Monday of the month, from 6 30pm, at Brothers Barbers in Te Kamo. A support group for men dealing with everyday struggles. Contact Josh MacFarlane, 021 0255 1594 or josh.macfarlane@mentall.org.nz

 **Love Whangārei Monthly Clean Up** - We love Whangārei and we love living in a clean environment. Come with us and help keep it that way! Check our Facebook page for upcoming events. <https://www.facebook.com/LWMCU>

 **Community Education Whangārei (CEW) at Kamo High School** - Phone: (09) 435 0889, Website: <https://www.cew.ac.nz/>, Email: cew@kamohigh.school.nz; ; Class venue: Unless otherwise stated all classes are held at Kamo High School.

 **Repair Cafe Whangārei at Town Basin** - Volunteers repair most things for a koha. Every third Saturday of the month, 1.30 - 4pm, Reyburn House at the Town Basin. For more information, refer to the Facebook page Repair Cafe Whangarei Facebook or email karen@force.org.nz

 **Miniature Train Running Days** - The track is open to the public every 3rd Sunday, School Holiday Wednesdays, and all Museum Live Days. Join us for school holiday fun train rides at the Miniature Railway at Heritage Park, Maunu, Whangārei. Only \$2 per ride.

 **Whangārei Parkrun** - a fun event where you can “run, walk or roll” every Saturday. It’s a 5km course starting and finishing under Te Mate A Pohe Bridge in Port Rd. It’s free to enter by going to <https://www.parkrun.co.nz/register>. We are there by 8am, come and join us. Open to all no matter what speed or age you are.

Neighbourhood Support - Updating Signs



We are removing, replacing or adding new Neighbourhood Support street signs over the next 12 months.

If you have an old street sign please contact the WANS Coordinator on: wans.coordinator@gmail.com

DO YOU WANT TO MAKE THE WHANGAREI AREA A SAFE, CONNECTED AND RESILIENT COMMUNITY?

Then join the Whangarei Area Neighbourhood Support. Scan the QR Code and fill in your details or contact wans.sec@gmail.com



STARTING A NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT GROUP

First up, find out if there's an existing group in your area. To do so, email the WANS Coordinator from Whangarei Area Neighbourhood Support to find out if your neighbourhood or street already has a group set up. If there's already a group in your area, then contact your nearest Member Organisation will provide you with relevant forms and information to join.

Photo: In August we had a Community Meeting with Tutukaka and Matapouri locals Charlie Mackie, Tanya & Keith Wellington who are interested in setting up a new Neighbourhood Support Group in their Area.

Jan Maunder and Kristi Henare from Whangarei Area Neighbourhood Support Committee visited to show our support and answer any questions.



UP & COMING COMMUNITY DAYS & EVENTS

- Halloween (31st Oct)
- Diabetes Action Month (1 Nov -30 Nov) - www.diabetesaction.org.nz
- 'Movember' Men's Health Month (1 Nov) - www.nz.movember.com
- Gumboot Friday (1 Nov)
- Whangarei Fireworks Spectacular (2 Nov)
- **Whangarei's Emergency Family Fun Day (3 Nov)**
- Guy Fawkes Night (5 Nov)
- Tutukaka Coast CRG Community Meeting (5 Nov)
- **Whangarei Bunnings - Crime Prevention Week - (6 Nov -12 Nov)**
- Whangarei Ethnic Football Festival (10 Nov)
- TikiPride Monthly Meeting (11 Nov)
- Get Outdoors Week (12-20 Nov)
- World Pneumonia Day (12 Nov) - www.stoppneumonia.org
- World Kindness Day (13 Nov)
- World Diabetes Day (14 Nov)
- World Children's Day (20 Nov) - www.un.org
- White Ribbon day (25 Nov)
- International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women - www.toiteora.govt.nz



The year 2024 is a leap year with 366 days in total.



STAY CONNECTED

MOVEMBER - MEN'S HEALTH IS IN CRISIS



Changing the face of men's health

Unite to take on mental health, suicide, prostate cancer and testicular cancer.

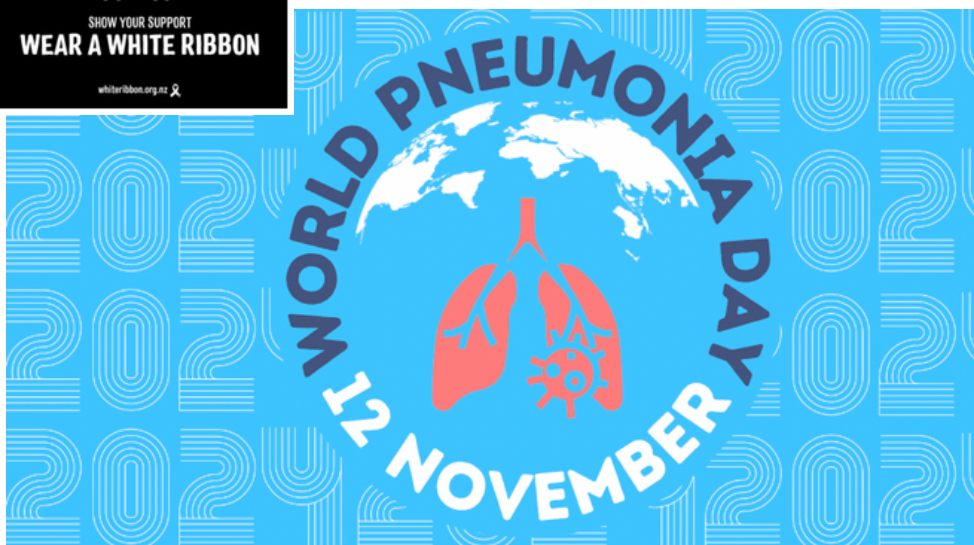


Men's health is in crisis. Men are dying on average 4.5 years earlier than women, and for largely preventable reasons.



A growing number of men – around 10.8M globally – are facing life with a prostate cancer diagnosis. Globally, testicular cancer is the most common cancer among young men. And across the world, one man dies by suicide every minute of every day, with males accounting for 69% of all suicides.

Movember is uniquely placed to address this crisis on a global scale. We fund groundbreaking projects all over the world, engaging men where they are to understand what works best and accelerate change.



The fight to reduce deaths from the single, biggest infectious killer of adults and children has never been more urgent. In 2021, pneumonia claimed the lives of 2.2 million, including 502,000 children, and COVID-19 killed an additional 10 million, according to the Global Burden of Disease. Together, they caused more deaths than any other cause, including heart disease. With climate change continuing to increase the burden of respiratory conditions and the risk of another pandemic of respiratory infection high, there is a pneumonia crisis across the life course placing millions at risk of infection and death. Almost half of the estimated 1.5 million pneumonia deaths among adults aged over 50 are attributable to air pollution and smoking.



Diabetes Action Month starts Friday, 1st November

"Don't Sugar Coat Diabetes".

www.diabetesactionmonth.org.nz



diabetes
action month

1-30 November 2024

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD



3 NOVEMBER
10AM - 1PM



NEW ZEALAND
POLICE
Ngā Pirihimana o Aotearoa

KENSINGTON PARK
WHANGAREI



NEW ZEALAND
RED CROSS
RĀPEKA WHERO AOTEAROA



FIRE
EMERGENCY
NEW ZEALAND

EMERGENCY SERVICES FAMILY FUN DAY SUNDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2024

We want to prevent death and serious harm in our community by improving the wellbeing of us all ... And let Northlanders know what support networks are there for them - 24/7. Let's help each other ... bring the family down! We'll crank up the BBQ for the kids.

And loads more fun, displays and giveaways.



PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY:



NZ Police | Northland Regional Council | New Zealand Red Cross | Blue Light | Health New Zealand - Te Whatu Ora
Northland Rescue Helicopter Service | Northland Civil Defence Emergency Management
Plunket | NRC Maritime | Coastguard Boating Education | Pak'n'Save Whangarei | Surf Life Saving
Business Finder | NZ Customs | Northland Land Search and Rescue | Sport Northland WaterSafe and Water Safety NZ
Bike Northland | JOP (Jeff Oliver Print) | Active Attitude | Northland Road Safety Trust
Northern Street Rods | Parafed Northland | Manawa Ora Te Tai Tokerau
Fire and Emergency NZ | St John | Channel Infrastructure

[WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CARINGFORNORTHLAND](https://www.facebook.com/caringfornorthland)



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Be safe & have fun!

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD ... continued



HALLOWEEN ROLLER DISCO **FRI 1ST NOV**

SPOOKY SKATER AWARDS

PRIZE FOR THE BEST DRESSED BOY & GIRL!

SKATESCOOLNZ

NSRC NGUNGURU SPORTS & RECREATION CLUB

SKATE HIRE \$5 FIRST IN FIRST SERVED

Illustration of roller skates, a pumpkin, a skeleton, and a cat.



WHANGĀREI COMMUNITY CONNECT PRESENTS

FRIDAY NIGHT
1ST NOVEMBER, 2024

HALLOWEEN WHĀNAU NIGHT OUT

LIVE AT **PURIRI PARK**

MUSIC, FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLES, SPORTS ACTIVITIES

COSTUME CONTEST WINS A PRIZE
FREE WHANAU EVENT, STARTS AT 5:00PM

45 PURIRI PARK ROAD, MAUNU, WHANGĀREI 0110

Illustration of a large inflatable slide, pumpkins, and people.



Halloween CIRCUS & FIRE PLAY

DRESS UP AND JOIN IN

ONLY \$5 A GO! 5-7PM - CIRCUS PLAY
7-9PM - FIRE PLAY

FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER
REYBURN HOUSE GROUNDS
TOWN BASIN
WHANGĀREI

PHOENIXFFCNZ@GMAIL.COM

Illustration of a skull, a bat, and a fire.



COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER

SPOOKY DISCO PARTY

16 NOV SAT 4-8PM

\$5PP

PURUA HALL - CHILDREN TO BE SUPERVISED
DRESS UP SPOOKY THEME
DJ, DELICIOUS TREATS, STALLS, FOOD AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM PURUA SCHOOL OR DOOR SALES
STALLS AVAILABLE FOR \$20 TXT MARYANN RATIMA ON 0273126160 OR MARYANNRATIMA@GMAIL.COM

Illustration of a ghost, pumpkins, and candy.



A HEARTY HALLOWEEN

Sunday 3rd November
McKay Stadium
Tickets via Eventbrite

In support of **HAVE A DREAM**

NORTHLAND HORROR Inspiring Dreams. Enabling Futures

Illustration of a witch hat and pumpkins.

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COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD ... continued

THE FRIENDS & WHĀNAU OF
MAUNU SCHOOL PRESENTS

FRIDAY FLICKS ON THE FIELD

FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER - GATES OPEN FROM 4PM
FILM STARTS AT 6.15PM



Proudly Supporting
Cancer Society
Te Kaitiaki Takekōwhiriwhiri
i te Kōwhiriwhiri
AUCKLAND NORTHLAND

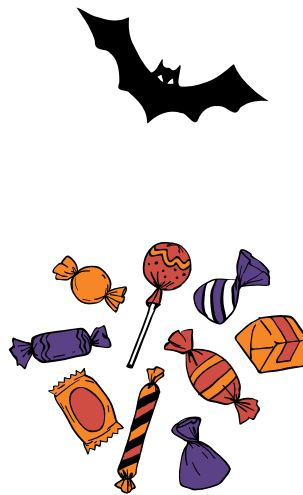
**DRESS IN YOUR SCARIEST
COSTUME AND JOIN US AS WE...**

SAY BOO TO CANCER!

**A FRIGHTFUL FUNDRAISER
HALLOWEEN DISCO**

3 NOVEMBER | 2PM-5PM

**\$2 ENTRY - \$2 SNACKS
MATARAU SCHOOL HALL**



1A TUATARA DRIVE, TE KAMO

ALIEN INVASION

Cosmic Halloween display & trick or treating 🌌

An illustration for an alien invasion event. It shows a large, pink, saucer-shaped alien spaceship with a dome on top, landing in a dark, spooky landscape with a full moon, a haunted house, and flying saucers in the sky.

KWS HALLOWEEN

Friday 1st November
open normal hours 10am to 2pm
REOPENING 530pm
late forage feeds between 530 & 630pm
closing at 7pm

Prizes for best child & adult costume
BBQ, cold drinks & ice cream available

Entry \$28 adult, \$12 child (4-14) 3yrs & under free as usual
Twilight Experience available to book
contact 0210 2932577 or office @bigcats.co.nz

WHANGĀREI

Fireworks Spectacular

Great Family Night Out

Saturday 2 November | 6pm | Semenoff Stadium

Tickets available from eventfinda
and from the gate on the day.

An illustration of a fireworks spectacular. It shows a large crowd of people gathered in a stadium at night, looking up at a sky filled with colorful fireworks. The Semenoff Stadium is visible in the background.

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SAFETY MESSAGE

Keep your children safe
this Halloween



POLICE



KNOCKING

KEEP YOUR CHILDREN SAFE THIS HALLOWEEN 🎃 🦇

To ensure everyone has a spooktacular Halloween, Police are encouraging caregivers to ensure their little pirates, superheroes, witches, and fairies, are well looked after while out trick-or-treating in the community. Inspector Brett Callander says Halloween activities can be fun for children to dress up and go trick-or-treating for sweets with friends and family, however it is important to stay safe.

“Although it is a fun night out, we would like to remind parents and caregivers to ensure the safety of their children.

“It is also a good reminder that not everyone likes to participate in Halloween, is able to take part, or appreciates repeated knocks on the door.”

Police suggest if residents do not want to take part in Halloween, perhaps placing a sign on your front door or gate might negate young visitors looking for lollies.

Here are some safety tips to keep you and your family safe

Parents or caregivers should supervise their young children at all times, and not let them go off with people they don't know.

Trick-or-treating in areas that are well lit and only where the children know the residents.

Always go with an adult, or if you are a teen – stick with your friends and look out for each other.

If you see a sign that says ‘no trick-or-treat here’ or similar then respect their wishes.

Householders do not have to open the door or respond to knocks from Halloween visitors.

Check your trusted community pages to see which homes will be participating in Halloween.

“As an alternative, parents, caregivers, and children, could attend a local event within their community if there is one nearby.”

Police would like to ask communities to look out for each other, and if anyone sees any suspicious activity happening, please contact 111 immediately.

To report activity after it has occurred, please contact Police online at 105.police.govt.nz, clicking “Update Report” or **call 105**.

Information can also be provided anonymously via Crime Stoppers on **0800 555 111**.



COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD ...continued



RALLY WHANGAREI

THE ROCKSTARS RETURN 08-10 NOVEMBER 2024

GET A TICKET TO THE ACTION VIA EVENTFINDA

FIND OUT MORE: WWW.RALLYWHANGAREI.CO.NZ

Whangarei District Council For North District Council MotorSport New Zealand

MITRE 10 MEGA PAKISAVE THE ROCKS Hirepool Orange RICOH NZRC

2ND OVERALL - BEN HUNT & TONY RAWSTORN | SKODA FABIA RALLY2 EVO

WHANGAREI ETHNIC FOOTBALL FESTIVAL
SUNDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2024

Multicultural Whangarei

**TIKIPUNGA SPORTS PARK
REED STREET
TIKIPUNGA
8AM TO 4PM**

6-A-SIDE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER
P: 09 430 0571 OR E: INFO@MWHG.ORG.NZ

Police Te Kaitiaki Rotari

Diwali Mela 2024

ON Sunday, 10th November, 2024
TIME 11am to 2pm
VENUE Cafler Park, Rose Garden, Water Street, Whangarei

**FOOD STALLS
FUN GAMES
HENNA STALL
RANGOLI STALL
RAMAYAN COSTUMED CHARACTERS
SINGING AND DANCING PERFORMANCES**

Contact: Poonam Sethi
Mobile: 022 063 5091
Email: poonamsethi.in@gmail.com

Multicultural Whangarei

Whangarei Care Centre Te Whare Oranga
The House of Wellbeing

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS

Garden Party

Saturday 9 November
4pm - 5.30pm
on the Anglican Church Green
YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US TO CELEBRATE.
**PLEASE BRING YOUR PICNIC BLANKET,
BEACH CHAIR AND LOVED ONES AND JOIN US
ON THE GREEN.**

FUN, FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, ENTERTAINMENT

Enquires 094376397 whgcare@whgcare.org.nz

HOW FAR CAN YOU THROW?
SAT 2ND NOVEMBER
NSRC INVITES YOU to the 2nd Annual
GUMBOOT THROWING COMPETITION
Join us in supporting our youth!

PUBLIC COMPETITION
(Practice 2-2:30pm)
Starts @ 2:30pm
In order of age group, one group at a time
GOLD COIN ENTRY
4 CATEGORIES:
6 yrs + under
7-12 yrs
13-17 yrs
18 yrs + over

ADJUNCT CLUB COMPETITION
Starts @ 4:30pm
Can the Ngunguru Fishing Club defend their title?

HOTDOGS & CHIPS @ THE BISTRO!

PRIZE for the WINNER of each group!

NSRC NGUNGURU SPORTS & RECREATION CLUB
Let's gather for some enjoyable moments and laughter whilst supporting a great cause!

NGUNGURU SPORTS & RECREATION CLUB, KOPPI CRESCENT

Tutukaka Coast CRG Meeting

Tuesday 5th November 2024, 5.30pm

Ngunguru Fire Brigade Station, 29 Waiotoi Road, Ngunguru

AGENDA

Meet & Greet @ 5.30pm

Meeting Starts @ 6.00pm

Guest Speakers:

Nancy Kareroa-Yorke of NZ Red Cross

Kristi Henare - Whangarei Area Neighbourhood Support

NZ Police - Whangarei Representative

Q & A

Contact: Mike Burr & Dylan Lease,
Tutukaka Coast Community Response Group
on email: dylan@tutukaka.co.nz





Senior Citizens **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Click Here to book [Tickets online](#)

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Mayor Vince Cocurullo and Councillors extend a warm invitation to all senior citizens of Whangārei District to attend the annual Senior Citizen's Christmas Concert.

Join us for a festive variety concert including dance, music and vocal performances. Get in the Christmas spirit, sing along with our performers and dress in your best Christmas attire.



WHANGAREI SANTA PARADE

Join them for a special Christmas event - the Whangarei Santa Parade! Meet Santa and get in the holiday spirit. There will also be floats, prizes, and a naming sponsor with a media package from Mediaworks. Call 02102729701 to learn more.

The Great Whangārei Santa Run

Event date: Sunday, 15 December 2024 | 10:00 AM to 01:00 PM

Get ready for a jolly good time as we come together for a festive and fun-filled event! Whether you're a seasoned runner or just want a leisurely stroll, everyone is welcome. All types of Santa attire are encouraged, so get creative and show off your festive spirit. Let's make this a day to remember with as many Santas as possible coming together in the spirit of joy and celebration.

Mark your calendars and gather your Santa squad!

Accessibility information: Wheelchair access, accessible parking, accessible toilets.

