



KAITAIA CONNECT

December 2020

January 2021

Connecting communities in Te Hiku

Lots on offer at the Kaitaia EcoCentre!

Run by Volunteers, the EcoCentre on Bank Street, Kaitaia, offers a central hub for Te Pokapū Tiaki Taiao o Te Tai Tokerau to connect with the community. Drawing on a strong tradition of Kaitiakitanga, guardianship, the EcoCentre is at the heart of a growing network of locals working to improve their footprint on the earth. The shop stocks a range of sustainable and environmentally friendly, locally made products, up-cycled garments, a hub for the local Timebank, the Plastic Free Kaitaia project and the Kaitaia Kaicycle.

By supporting local businesses, we can develop a circular economy – “recycling” money back into our area. If you are a business with a focus on environmental or naturally made products, we would love to see how we can work with you.

What is Timebanking? Timebanking is a way to exchange services for timecredits, rather than money. Everyone’s time is valued equally. One hour of work equals one timecredit. With over 300 members, the Timebank has programs and workshops throughout Northland. Many local events offer timecredits for doing good works. To find out more about timebank visit [https:// taitokerau.timebanks.org/](https://taitokerau.timebanks.org/)

Anō Anō! on Bank Street, next to the EcoCentre shop, is a community workshop space, available to hire for any eco-minded community groups. We currently run a Clothing Rescue, at Anō Anō! between 2-5pm every Thursday, plus the 2nd Saturday of the month from 10.30am-1pm. We take clothing rejected from op shops and mend, wash or upcycle what we can. Some are used to create pet beds, others are sold in the EcoCentre to fund our community programs. Good-Bye Normal Jeans is an exhibition of upcycled denim from December 5th 10am-2pm Monday - Saturday. Alongside the upcycling of clothing, we are offering sewing lessons at Anō Anō!. If you feel like you need some extra tuition pop in and have a chat.

Plastic Free Kaitaia organizes a range of events to

reduce our plastic dependence, these include: a stall at the Kaitāia Saturday market, working bees to make t-shirt bags and re-use bags and the creation of Kaitaia Kupu and Kaitaia Kete. Waikare has also started the Kaitaia Kaicycle, which collects compostable waste in and around town and takes it to the Good Life Project; Community Gardens run by, and for, Adults with intellectual disabilities. If you would like to join this project and have your compostable’s collected, drop in to the EcoCentre or visit our Facebook page.

Another arm of our services are our community gardens, which are coordinated by Jo Bradley – a permaculture teacher. These are learning gardens where all levels of experience are welcome and valued. This is an opportunity to come together, to share knowledge and learn from each other. The organic food that is grown is for volunteers to eat and share. Again, if you are a Timebank member you can earn credits helping out here.

If you are interested in any of these services, please don’t hesitate to pop in and have a chat.

The EcoCentre Team



Holiday blessings

Christmas can be a financially stressful time with the ongoing commercial advertising that starts in November, to children’s and family members wish lists being met.

One thing that Covid has taught us, is that time is precious.

Instead of breaking the bank or maxing out the credit cards, stop and think what a truly meaningful gift can be.

Plan a Christmas picnic and create games that the children can play whilst enjoying the outdoors.

Arts and crafts are always enjoyed by young ones.

Have secret Santa with a maximum value for family members.

Visit loved ones and take baked goods as presents. Have a cup of tea with them.

Volunteer for local services that offer Christmas meals to the vulnerable.

Donate a gift to those less fortunate.

Go camping in the backyard and roast marshmallows over a small flame.

What ever it is, enjoy the time you spend with your loved one, create memories and be thankful.

From the Team at Kaitaia Community House, we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a fabulous New Years.



SHINE ON CHRISTMAS PARADE & concert

SAT 5TH DEC

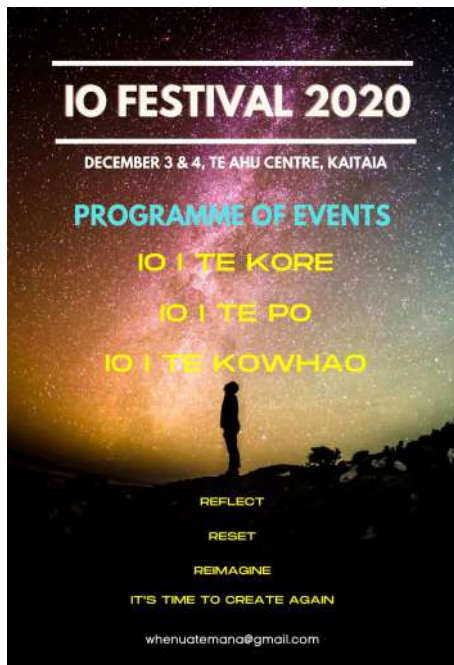


ROCK N ROLLER DISCO
KAITAIA

SAT 12 DEC
TE AHU CENTRE
KAITAIA

SKATE LESSON (see Skatescool FB) Beginners, intermediate, all ages 4pm
ROLLER DISCO (see Skatescool FB) All ages, all levels, all skate sizes 5pm
LIVE MUSIC (see Shoonyevents FB) Shoony - Rocks n Flowers 9pm
RAVE (see Shoonyevents FB) Live Music, DJ by Shoony Events 10pm

SKATESCOOL SKM UR ROCKSNFLOWERS



IO FESTIVAL 2020
DECEMBER 3 & 4, TE AHU CENTRE, KAITAIA

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

IO I TE KORE
IO I TE PO
IO I TE KOWHAO

REFLECT
RESET
REIMAGINE

IT'S TIME TO CREATE AGAIN

whenuatemana@gmail.com



do your bit.
give a bit of
blood or plasma.

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

 **Kaitaia**
Te Ahu
Cnr State Highway 1 & Mathews Ave

 Wed 16 December 10.30am – 4.30pm
Thur 17 December 8.30am – 2.30pm

Please remember to bring your Donor Card or suitable Photo ID

To donate, contact us today to book your appointment
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DECEMBER

TUE 1 DEC

Become Trauma Informed: Feeling upset? Angry? Sad? Disengaged? Are your tamariki or mokopuna feeling anxious or stressed after COVID 19? Free workshops. Toka Tumoana, 24-26 Matthews Ave, Kaitaia. 9am to 12 noon. Also happening on the 7 Dec at Far North REAP, 33 Puckey Ave, Kaitaia from 12.30–15.30pm.

Kanikani Kids Dance: Come and join 0-3 yrs, Music and Dance class. 9.30am at the Kaitaia Children's Complex. \$5. 30 minute class. For more information visit Kanikani Kids dance on facebook.

Tai Chi: Kaitaia Children's Complex from 11.15am–12 noon. Koha. Also available on Thursday's from 5.15– 6 pm.

3 - 4 DEC

IO Festival 2020: Te Ahu Centre, Kaitaia. Taumatua Korero Tuatahi. Indigenous Houses of Creation. For more information contact: whenuatemana@gmail.com

THUR 3 DEC

Awanui Night Markets: Lots to see and do. From 4-8 pm. Every Thursday. At the Awanui Junction. For more information contact Michele on 02102328124 or email ko-tarekrafts@gmail.com

Music in the Atrium: At Te Ahu, Local Artists from 10am to 4pm. Come along and enjoy.

Kaikohē Christmas in the Village: Activities start from 4.30pm, parade starts at 5.30pm. FREE Family fun. Face painting, Entertainment, Food Stalls and a visit from Santa. For Further information contact 021 1240382.

FRI 4 DEC

Islamic Exhibition: An Islamic education and research academy presentation Meet Muslims within your area. Q & A sessions to learn more. Plus much more. Te Ahu Centre 1–4.30pm. For more information contact 022 464 7526 or 021 682012.

Paihia Christmas Parade: Starts at 5.30–7.00pm. Santa will be there with his famous lolly scramble. Williams Road, Paihia. For more information visit: www.paihianz.co.nz

SAT 5 DEC

SHINE ON Christmas Parade and Concert: Starts from 10.30am at the Kaitaia Digital Hub for Christmas Photos and Activities. Parade starts at 1.00pm. Followed by the Jaycee Park – Concert in the Park, until 4.30pm. Lots of family fun. For more information contact shineonkta@gmail.com or 021 022 13351

Karikari Estate– Music on the Hill: Papa's Pack. Starts 5.30– 8.30pm. See you all there.

"Goodbye Normal Jeans" Exhibition: Made from jeans headed to landfill. At Ano Ano, next to Eco Centre on Bank Street, Kaitaia. From 11 am and through the following week.

SUN 6 DEC

Totara North Summer Market Day: Quirky, eclectic, old and new. This Market has treasures and is always a fun day out for young and old. Totara North Hall From 9am onwards.

MON 7 DEC

Kaitaia Hearing Therapy Clinic: Concerned about your hearing? The Qualified hearing therapist Cindy Foulkes can help you at her Kaitaia Clinic. To make an appointment, phone: 0800 008 011 or visit www.hearingtherapy.co.nz

TUE 8 DEC

Te Hiku Crop Swap: Every Tuesday at the Kaitaia Community House, 12 Puckey Avenue, Kaitaia. This is run in conjunction with the Community Garden. 4.30-5.30pm.

SAT 12 DEC

Rock N Roller Dsico: Skate lessons start 4pm, followed by Roller Disco at 5pm. Live Music starts at 9pm and the Rave begins at 10pm. Te Ahu Centre, Kaitaia. Come along to see how it rolls.

Far North Tour: A one night rave shed. 8-9pm Rocks n Flowers, 9– 9.45pm Shoony and from 10-11pm The High Priest. R16. Te Ahu Centre, Kaitaia. For more information and tickets visit www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/128560332415

14 -18 DEC

Flourish December Holiday Program: Each day we will have loads of fun exploring a WHITE Christmas, alongside our normal holiday program fun, food and care. From 8.15am to 5.15pm. For more information or tickets, visit: www.flourishpuawai.nz/holiday-program

MON 14 DEC

Let's get Active Together: Adrenalin Adventure Park, 27 Hukerenui Road, Whangarei. An awesome opportunity for young women to come and have a fun active day. This is FREE for young women between the ages of 12-18years. Don't miss out there is a limited number of spaces!!! Call YWCA Whg on 4382926 to book your spot.

16–17 Dec

Blood Drive: Do your bit, give a bit of blood or plasma. Te Ahu Centre, Kaitaia. 16th from 10.30am– 4.30pm, 17th from 8.30am– 2.30pm. For more information please contact 0800 448 325.

THUR 17 DEC

Festive Wreath Workshop: Invest in yourself. Just \$95 includes all the materials, knowledge and expertise you will require to design and create your very own 35cm vine wreath adorned with dried foliage and roses with the addition of living succulents which can be planted in the garden in the New Year. Kaitaia Digital Hub, from 6-8pm.

FRI 18 DEC

PAPA'S Pack: Live Band performance. \$5 door

charge. Kauri Arms Tavern.

Funky Monthly Fridays Markets, at the Bush Fairy Diary: Food beverages, music, crafts, second hand goods, community and much much more! To book a stall call 094085433 or email markets@mudwood.nz

SAT 19 DEC

Street Feast: AWOL & son presents the Grigg Street Pot Luck Feast. Bring a plate of kai to share and a small prezzy for your children to open. Music, community spirit, children's activities and more. Starts from 12 noon onwards.

FRI 25 DEC

CHRISTMAS DAY

Ramada Christmas Day Brunch, Lunch or Dinner: Enjoy the most wonderful time of the year. \$76 Each. Bookings are essential. 09 406 0656.

TUES 29 DEC

Matihetihe Marae Annual Fishing Competition: 5am Start, 4pm final weigh in. Ticket: Adults \$45, Kids \$10, Team Even \$40. Contact Candice Matthews on 027 426 0833 for more information. Live Entertainment, Cash Prizes, Canteen and Bar Available.

Katchafire Summer Roadie: Opononi Hotel. Tickets available at Ticketspace.nz. \$59.99. Starts: 6pm.

THUR 31 DEC

NEW YEARS EVE

Herekino Tavern- New Years Eve Party: Starts 9pm til 1 am January 1st 2021. Live entertainment by Papa's Pack.

January 2021

FRI 1 JAN

HAPPY NEW YEAR

SAT 2 JAN

Taipa show and shine- Hotrods, Classics, Vintage Cars and Bikes: Swapmeet, markets and kids activates. Eastern Rugby grounds. 9am to 2pm. Call nik for further information on 021 118 1370.

Far North Rodeo: Come along and have some family fun. Kaitaia A & P showgrounds. 8am onwards. For more information contact Daphne on 021 033 3677 or at daphne.neho@gmail.com.

SUN 3 JAN

Oruru Valley Rodeo: Come see the best cowboys and cowgirls in NZ. Oruru Valley Rodeo Club, 1120 Oruru Road, Peria 0482. For more information and tickets visit: www.oruruvalleyrodeo.com

5—31 JAN

Little Kitchen Pop up Art Gallery: A group of local artists will be having two exhibitions of

their work during opening hours. For more information contact 09 406 1644 or email relish2017td@gmail.com

FRI 8 JAN

Bay of Island Music Festival: Serving up an amazing mix of New Zealand pop, rock, roots and more this summer! The festival is located in the stunning Kainui Road Vineyard & Brewery, Bay of Islands. For more information visit www.boimusicfestival.com

SUN 10 JAN

Far North Joy Fest: Live music, yoga, wisdom talks, healing zone, eco tent, kids activities and much much more. A alcohol and drug free event. Butler's Point, Hihi. For more information and tickets visit www.farnorthjoyfest.org.nz

SAT 16 JAN

SIX60: In Waitangi. DRAX Project, Troy Kingi and the Clutch, Paige, Neko. Tickets can be purchased at ticketmaster.

29 JAN— 1 FEB

Tokerau Beach Music Festival: Come and enjoy our local musicians and a great line up of talent from further afield. Concerts on Friday and Saturday night. For more information contact larry.jenny@gmail.com or phone 021 202 1954

SAT 30 JAN

Kiwi Grooves in Opononi: Excited to head north to Opononi and bring some of your Favves your way. Ardijah, HERBS, Annie Crummer, Che Fu plus more. Check out Kiwi Grooves in Opononi on Facebook for further information.

MON 1 FEB

Northland Anniversary

Save the Dates 2021

SAT 6 MAR

Mangonui Waterfront Festival: A celebration of locally-produced food, beverages, art and music.

SAT 13 MAR

Mangonui Garden Club: Annual Flower and Vegetable Show.

16— 20 MAR

Snapper Bonanza: Surfcasting Comp. SOLD OUT.

SAT 20 MAR

Te Houtaewa Challenge

SAT 5 JUN

Forsaken Age— Heavy Metal Nightmare Tour: Collards Tavern.

Have a safe and Happy holiday season.

OSCAR HOLIDAY PROGRAM

STANDARD PROGRAM
9:00 AM - 3:30 PM
\$29.25/DAY

WEEK ONE: 14-18 DECEMBER 2020
KAITAIA COLLEGE GYM

WEEK TWO: 18-22 JANUARY 2021
KAITAIA PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL

For children aged 5-13 years
Enrol with us today as spaces are limited!
WINZ Subsidies & Working Families Discount available.

CONTACT:
BUILDING SAFER COMMUNITIES
(09) 408 3030
OSCAR@BUILDINGSAFERCOMMUNITIES.CO.NZ

Week One: Crossfit, Swimming, Lake Ngatu, Sports, Movies & Christmas Crafts

Week Two: Swimming, Mountain Hike, Cooking, Sports, Crafts & Activities

BUILDING SAFER Communities 6
FAR NORTH SAFER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

NIPPERS & ROOKIES PROGRAMME 2020/2021

Dates:

- Sun 06/12/20
- Sun 13/12/20
- Sun 20/12/20
- Merry Xmas
- Happy New Year
- Sun 10/01/21
- Sun 17/01/21
- Sun 24/01/21
- Sun 31/01/21

Co-ordinated by:
Far North Surf Rescue
Any queries please contact
Hoana Waitai-Ifopo
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hoanaifopo12@gmail.com

Far North Joy Fest

10 JANUARY 2021 **BUTLER POINT HIHI**

LIVE MUSIC | YOGA | WISDOM TALKS | HEALING ZONE | ECO TENT
KIDS ACTIVITIES | HEALTHY | NUTRITIOUS FOOD & REFRESHMENTS
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Police, Ambulance and Fire Bridge: 111

Lifeline: 0800 543 354

Youth line: 0800 376 633

Crisis Helpline: 0508 828 865

Health line: 0800 611 116

Money Talks: 0800 345 123

Problem Gambling: 0800 664 262

Work and Income: 0800 559 009

Inland Revenue: 0800 775 247

Enjoy your Summer Season and Be Sun Smart

Slip on a shirt

Slip into the shade

Slop on sunscreen

Slap on a hat

Wrap on sunglasses

For more information visit

www.sunsmart.org.nz/

Top 10 Water Safety Tips

1. Always supervise children in and around water.
2. Never swim alone
3. Don't dive or jump into water that you can't see through
4. Never turn your back on the ocean.
5. Don't depend on floating toys to keep you safe
6. Children and non-swimmers should always wear life jackets in open water
7. Don't prolong the time you hold your breath underwater
8. Swim only in designated swim areas
9. Don't leave toys or other floatables in an unsupervised pool
10. Learn to swim

For more information, please visit [water safety New Zealand.](http://water.safety.govt.nz/)

KAITAIA DIGITAL HUB

The Hub is an initiative of *Taitokerau Fibre Networks* made possible with support of the Provincial Growth Fund (PGF) and private investment from Top Energy and the Te Rarawa commercial division, Te Waka Pupuri Pūtea. The Kaitaia Digital Hub opened its doors in March 2020 and have continued to grow from thereon.

The Kaitaia Digital Hub is a shared space bringing community and business together; ranging from hot desking, private room or venue hire for training, workshops or conferences. With a variety of spaces, we offer the perfect place to nestle and network with other likeminded individuals.

We are located at 50-64 Commerce Street Kaitaia or you can simply find us at www.kaitaiadigitalhub.co.nz



First and foremost, we would like to thank our previous Executive Committee members who served. These members of our Business Improvement District (BID) have dedicated a lot of time and effort to serve our businesses over the last year. Again, our most sincere gratitude to you all.

As we approach the new year ahead, we are excited to introduce the newest Committee, some previous members and some new:

Andrea Panther (Chairperson)
Monty Knight (Vice-Chair)
Stewart Russell (Treasurer)
Ngahine Lum
Ezzera Houghton
Sheryl Hansford
Ezzera Houghton
Bobby Leef
Rose Vazey
Tia Hohaia

And Adele Gardner and John Stewart will continue as the Te Hiku Community Board Representatives.

We are hopeful for what the future will bring as we bring our minds together and continue to forge creative ways to support our business community.

Kaitaia Connect is proudly produced by Kaitaia Community House. For inclusion in the next edition's event listings, or sponsorship, please contact the Community Relations Officer on 408-0026 or raewyn@kfbs.co.nz before 18 February 2021.

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