Thursday 25 January 2024



CENTRAL HAWKE'S BAY Keeping it Central



Dates for your calendar



Free Timber | Saturday 27 January, 9am - 3pm

Thanks to the team at Waipawa Timber there will be a giveaway of free untreated timber this Saturday at 82 Ongaonga Road, Waipawa (the old quarry). One trailer or ute load allowed per Central Hawke's Bay resident (proof required) until supplies run out (commercial use is not permitted). First come, first served.

HB Jazz Club Big Band | Sunday 28 January, from 4pm



Head along to Nelly Jull Park in Waipawa this Sunday and be entertained by the HB Jazz Big Band as part of the Centralines Summer Series.

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Bring a blanket or a chair, kick back and relax and enjoy the free entertainment.

Proudly supported by Creative Communities Scheme funding.

Agri-Tourism Workshop | Thursday 1 Feb, 10am - 2.15pm

This is a great opportunity to discuss and develop your farm products and agritourism ideas with an experienced team at the CHB Municipal Theatre in Waipawa. Cost is \$80 per person or \$120 per business (up to four people). Lunch will be provided.

Find out more and register at www.insidenewzealand.co.nz/events

Bridge into Te Paerahi Beach (Pōrangahau) restricted to light vehicles, 3.5 tonnes or under

Central Hawke's Bay District Council has introduced a 3.5 tonne weight restriction, effective from 22nd January 2024 for 'Makaramu' Bridge the bridge connecting to Te Paerahi Beach (Pōrangahau).

Engineers have found structural deterioration on the bridge beam at one of the bridge joints, which makes it unsafe for vehicles over 3.5 tonnes to use.

The damage was identified as part of quarterly routine inspections that were put in place in 2021 after a different fault on the bridge was identified and subsequently repaired. The last inspection was in October 2023 and no faults were identified at this time. The cause of this new damage is not yet known.

We are investigating a suitable fix for the bridge.

We understand that this is inconvenient, particularly at this time of year. However, the safety of our community and those visiting our region is our number one priority. Heavy traffic could cause further damage so to ensure the structural integrity of the bridge we need to restrict access to light vehicles now until further notice.

Thank you for your patience and support as we work to find a solution while ensuring public safety.

Further updates will be available on Council's website and Facebook page. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Council 24/7 on 06 857 8060.



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