



Hayley Bodley (left) and Emma Morton (right) have signed their lease agreement with Wairoa District Council Chief Executive Kitea Tipuna, and are set to launch their café and eatery, Moccha, from the Ahi Kōmau courtyard site tomorrow.

MOCCHA TO OPEN TOMORROW

Fresh, light and tasty is the foundation of Moccha - due to be launched tomorrow from the pod in the Ahi Kōmau courtyard site. The daytime eatery will offer a modern healthy twist from hearty breakfasts to waffles and stacks, as well as a lunch menu featuring bento bowls, bao buns made from scratch, sliders, tacos and pasta of the week. There will also be a vast selection of cabinet food, Hawthorne Coffee and a range of freshly squeezed juices. Moccha is the dream of Auntie and niece team Emma Morton and Hayley Bodley. The local pair

share a love of good food and a background of whānau expertise and encouragement. Emma is a qualified chef, having worked at high-end restaurants and cafes in New Zealand and internationally. Hayley is a baker extraordinaire renowned for her speciality cakes and cupcakes. The two young mums are juggling the launch of Moccha while rocking babies - right down to their opening menu being written on the back of a nappy box. The pair are thrilled to be opening their own business - and from the location they had always wanted.

The GAIETY Cinema & Theatre **Now Showing**

December 5 - 12

Gladiator II

R16 | 2hrs 28m
Thursday 5th 5.30pm

Red One

PG | 2hrs 3m
Friday 6th December 5.30pm

Moana 2

PG | 1hrs 40m
Sunday 8th December 11.30am
Wednesday 11th December 5.30pm

Venom: The Last Dance

M | 1hrs 49m
Friday 6th December 8pm

Wicked

PG | 2hrs 40m
Sunday 8th December 2pm

Kraven The Hunter PREMIERE

TBC | 2hrs 7m
Thursday 12th December 5.30pm

Tickets from \$12
Hot Food available



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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Invitations from qualified organisations to manage the Wairoa Community Centre are open. The Council seeks a partner who can effectively operate and maintain the facility, improve service delivery, enhance community engagement, and ensure long-term sustainability.

- 24_19 Management of Community Centre

Information detailing the scope of the management are available from www.gets.govt.nz

All enquiries to be lodged on GETS and close at 5pm 20th December 2024

CONTRACT TENDERS

Suitably qualified Contractors are invited to tender for the below contracts in the Wairoa District which involve the maintenance of public facilities, buildings and solid waste services as described fully in the tender documents.

- 24_11 Wairoa Property Maintenance - Cleaning
- 24_12 Wairoa Property Maintenance - Grounds
- 24_13 Mahia Areas Property Maintenance - Cleaning
- 24_14 Mahia Areas Property Maintenance - Grounds
- 24_15 Tuai Wairoa Property Maintenance & Solid Waste Services
- 24_16 Raupunga & Mohaka Area Property Maintenance & Solid Waste Services

Tender documents detailing the scope of work are available from www.gets.govt.nz/WAIRDC/ClientOrganisationTenders.htm

All enquiries to be lodged on GETS. Tenders close at 5:00pm on 6th January 2025.



GREAT Business People

B U BE THE DIFFERENCE

BU Be the Difference celebrates individuality by offering a range of clothing, gifts, homeware, and accessories to suit most tastes and styles.

Described as 'where fashion meets passion', B U is a new business sprawled across two shops on the eastern end of Marine Parade.

The emporium is the dream of Kathy and Terena Hawkins, focusing on unique items and providing choices for local people by merging style with affordability.

Kathy and Terena had both worked at Glengarry aged care rest home, with Kathy, a registered nurse, the manager. The flooding and subsequent closing of the facility provided the pair with an opportunity to go out on their own.

"We wanted our range to be affordable and offer a little bit of something and a lot of everything." The end result is a selection that extends from men's, women's and children's clothing and shoes to jewellery, sun and reading glasses, handbags, and dedicated boys' and menswear from short and shirt suits to boxers. B U also makes a conscious effort to cater for all shapes and sizes, 'from little to big'.

But it doesn't stop there; the range includes

homeware, furniture, camping gear, linen, towels and blankets, with more stock arriving daily.

"We are an emporium selling a wide variety of goods based on what people want."

Kathy, who has a background working in mental health, said the business is based on retail but is also about making a difference. "We celebrate that it's totally ok to be different. B U is all about people and we welcome everyone to call in and just have a chat. For us, it really is a community journey."

In keeping with their 'something for everyone policy', B U also has a range of R18 intimacy products for men and women and hosts toy parties and hen's parties, which are based at B U, with space also available to rent for gatherings and get-togethers.

Kathy and Terena are committed to Wairoa and say that through B U, they are able to give back to the community. "We have had great support already. People have watched the businesses grow from seeing us with paintbrushes through to new stock arriving daily. "We have a great range of products and love people giving us feedback on what they would like us to stock. We welcome everyone to call in and check us out."

If you have a great business or service to promote, please contact Wairoa District Council at: ed@wairoadc.govt.nz



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Hours: Monday to Friday, 9.30-4 and Saturday, 10-12