



## FROM MAYOR CRAIG LITTLE CHRISTMAS TIME

It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas. This year, Wairoa will celebrate a Kiwiana Christmas on Saturday, December 14, when the town centre will be transformed into a slice of Kiwi Heaven with a Christmas market followed by the Christmas parade.

The Christmas market will begin at 9am and celebrate our local culture with face painting, kai and handcrafted gifts.

Then, at noon, the float parade will make its way along the Marine Parade – with a special visit from Santa himself.

If you would like more information or to register a stall or a float in this year's parade, please go to [www.wairoadc.govt.nz/a-kiwiana-christmas](http://www.wairoadc.govt.nz/a-kiwiana-christmas)



## PREPARING YOUR PETS FOR AN EMERGENCY

Having an emergency plan is recommended for all families. This plan should include your pets too! Follow the steps below to make sure your pet is safe during a disaster.

Put together an emergency kit for your pets. Your pets emergency kit will need:

- A lead, collar, muzzle, a carrier, and a toy (optional),
- Bedding and/or blankets
- Enough food and water for at least

## TAUTOKO WAIROA

Wairoa businesses are invited to get into the Christmas spirit by decorating their shop windows.

The Christmas decorative theme is the same as the Christmas Parade – Kiwiana. To enter your window display head to [www.wairoadc.govt.nz/a-kiwiana-christmas/christmas-window-display-competition](http://www.wairoadc.govt.nz/a-kiwiana-christmas/christmas-window-display-competition) for your chance to win. The competition closes on December 11, and winners will be announced on December 13 with a prize for first place.

I hope lots of our Wairoa businesses join in this fun and festive activity by showcasing their Christmas window displays.

I also really encourage everyone to shop and buy locally this Christmas. We all know it has been a hard few years, and our local businesses have stood by our town and supported our people. Let's share that feeling of support and tautoko Wairoa to help our business community grow and thrive.

## BLOWHOLE ROAD WORKS START THIS WEEK

It is great to see that this week, work will start on returning the blowhole dropout on the road to Mahia to two lanes.

The work is part of an \$8 million coastal resilience package that will see road improvements and future-proofing works along the Nuhaka to Opoutama coastal stretch and Mahia East Coast Road.

3 days

- Bowls for food and water
- Any medications and first aid supplies
- Your contact information
- Vaccination records, microchip number and registration number.

Any large animals and/or livestock should be moved into a paddock that is free from floodwaters and power lines. Ensure they have food, water, shelter and are secured.

For more info call 06 838 7309 or email [compliance@wairoadc.govt.nz](mailto:compliance@wairoadc.govt.nz)

Wairoa has around 130km of coastline, and much of it is impacted by coastal erosion, which can also impact roading networks. The blowhole work will launch the three-year coastal resilience project, which will help improve resilient connectivity.

I know returning the blowhole area to two lanes has taken a long time, and we do appreciate people's patience. It has been a long journey to confirm the final designs, particularly given the instability around this site, and land acquisition has also taken time. We were also struggling to come up with the Council's share of the funding for the repair work, and it is great we can now carry out this project using external funding with no impact on rates.

## GAIETY THEATRE

Have you checked out the Gaiety Theatre lately? There is a great range of new summer movies out – plus the Gaiety now provides hot snacks for moviegoers?

While catching a movie, you can also enjoy pizzas and pies as well as a hot lasagne square or chicken cordon bleu and top it off with a hot fudge brownie with the works (ice cream and chocolate or caramel sauce) or by itself. Snacks, drinks and ice creams are also still available.

Check out the Gaiety Theatre and its range of movie screenings weekly from Wednesday to Sunday.



## COUNCIL MEETINGS

**FINANCE, ASSURANCE AND  
RISK COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, November 26, 1.30pm



Mayor Craig Little

## MEET THE MAYOR KANOHI KI TE KANOHI

If you would like to have a meeting with the Mayor, call the council offices on 06 838 7309 to arrange a meeting time.

He is available to meet with people on Wednesdays.

## The GAIETY Now Showing November 21- 28

### Wicked PREMIERE

PG | 2hrs 40m  
Thursday 21st 5.30pm  
Saturday 23rd 2pm

### Venom: The Last Dance

M | 1hrs 49m  
Friday 22nd 5.30pm  
Sunday 24th 2pm

### Red One

PG | 2hrs 3m  
Friday 22nd 8pm

### Gladiator II

R16 | 2hrs 28m  
Saturday 23rd 5.30pm  
Wednesday 27th 5.30pm

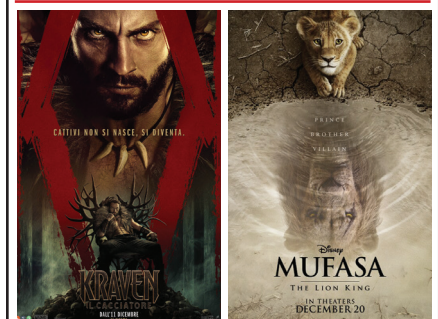
### Transformers One

PG | 1hrs 40m  
Sunday 24th 11.30am

### Moana 2

PG | 1hrs 40m  
Thursday 28th 5.30pm

### Coming soon



Tickets from \$12  
Hot Food available

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# A Kiwiana Christmas

## Christmas Market & Parade December 14, 2024

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