

COMMUNITY PĀNUI | UPDATE



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KAWERAU YOUNG ACHIEVERS AWARDS 2023

Her Worship the Mayor Faylene Tunui, Ngāti Tūwharetoa ki Kawerau Kaumātua Te Haukaka Te Rire and Luvi Ngahe, Councillors, Kura and whānau celebrated the success of rangatahi at the Kawerau Town Hall on Friday 25 August. When congratulating the nearly 100 rangatahi for their sporting, cultural and academic achievements, Mayor Faylene Tunui also wished to acknowledge the support of whānau, schools and the wider community for the 'rides, run-arounds and raffles' undertaken to support our rangatahi in their achievement. A special thank you to guest speaker Lisa-Ray Tioke for her inspiration. Thanks also to the Kawerau stars such as William Warbrick, Princess Elliott, Te Toiroa Tahuriorangi and Te Haunui Tuna who congratulated the achievers via the Kawerau Youth Council inspiration video played at the event.

This was another successful event delivered by the Kawerau Youth Council who wish to acknowledge the support of parents, schools, coaches, teachers, aunties, uncles, koro's, nannies and everyone to support our rangatahi.

Ka Rawe / Congratulations to:

Gold Awards

Paris Milosevic
Slobodan Milosevic
Aejah Raiha Watene
Evarn Watene
Milan Tawera Milosevic
Ereatara Tahana

Highly Commended

Pounamu Rangiaho
Mariana Milosevic
Alejah Watene
Hanilea Nicholson
Maewa Reneti
Acacia-Moana Laulualo
Hohepa Merito
Slobodan Milosevic

Tyrell Thomas
Remanaze Hona
Tamara Hudson
Zach Pryor
Celtic Hiroki
Rangikahuia Nohotima
Hoani Hona
Te Ao o Te Rangi Emery
Saarnza Qaa
Cre' Ammong Ratima
Turiana Waititi
Takurua Lessles
Hokioi Raki
Maihi Thompson
Blaire Hudson
Waimarie Tamatea
Aroha Tawera
Aquila Tamatea
Hinemoana Te Aonui
Mapuna Paul
Matariki Herewini
Kingi Pakuria Rehe

Silver Awards

Hazel Gates-Paul
Javian Grainger
Te Uamonehu Hakopa- Webb
Paris Milosevic
Ereatara Tahana

Bronze Awards

Kawerau South School

Emily Kavetoo-Braun
Klyv Pacana
Lilly-Rose Harrison
Maia Toataua
Duncan Mihinui-Ray
Karma-Rose Klock-Aramoana
Destiny Karaitiana
Evarn Watene
Manaia Savage-Morice

Kawerau Pūtauaki School

Marlie Lamar Nicholson
Crusade Raki
Quintin Kaipara
Rawiri Nicholson Manoo
Te Amorangi TePuru McNeil
Kaihautu Thomas
Caley Pohatu Ruha
Tame Bolton
John Kelly
Alexia Penlington
Tianah Te Rere

Stahz Hake Rangiaho Huta
Te Ohore Huriwaka
Waikahurangi Hunt
Rongomai Nathan
Kane Moffitt
Phoenix Peita Hill
Kaia Poharama
Jagga Tipene
Manu Peters
Hiriweteri Kaipara

Tarawera High School

Shykauda Church
Raiha Blackett- Peri
Raiha Cassidy
Shylah-Marie Warner-Melligan
Hazel Gates-Paul
Isla-Jae Tangira
Hine Ransfeld
Nikau Deane
Jayden Leef
Kadence Gates
Jahsia Taikato-Pepene
Javian Grainger
Sidney Waiari
Taylor Ohlson
Aejah Watene
Slobodan Milosevic
Paris Milosevic

Te Whata tau o Pūtauaki

Te Uamonehu Hakopa- Webb
Waimarie Tamatea
Aroha Tawera
Reremoana Rangihau
Tawhio Reuben
Sage Raki

Bay Hopper Kawerau 135 Bus

Usage of the Bay Hopper Bus has grown with some months in 2023 almost triple the number of passengers in 2022.

The Kawerau Bay Hopper Bus (Route 135) that travels from Kawerau to our neighbouring district of Whakatāne has shown a steady climb in patron usage rates. For example, in June 2022 passengers totalled 257, compared with 657 in June this year.

Bee Card makes it easier to pay for bus fares

The Bee Card is an easy to use 'tap on and tap off' prepaid card. You can use your Bee Card when you travel from Kawerau to Whakatāne on route 135. Order your Bee Card today at the Kawerau isite or online at www.beecard.co.nz

For more information, please visit the Kawerau isite or call 07 323 6300

Rates Rebates



Rates rebate applications are now open for the 2023-2024 rating year. The maximum rebate has been increased to \$750.00. You can check your eligibility and apply for a rates rebate online at www.kaweraudc.govt.nz

Thanks for sharing your vision for Kawerau

Thank you to the residents and ratepayers who have shared their vision for the Kawerau District. We have received more than 55 responses to our survey asking for what people wanted the district to be like in the next 10 years. We are analysing your feedback and will publish the key themes in the upcoming issue of the Community Update. This information will help Council prioritise the areas for reviews, and new areas to consider.

Community Grant Awardees

The Community Grant Scheme is a Council fund to enhance the well-being of Kawerau people by supporting groups and/or services that improve the quality of life of residents. The following were successful community grant applicants;

Alzheimer's Society EBOP

Delivery of Dementia Services in Kawerau- \$2000

Life Education Trust EBOP

Work Books and Supporting Resources for Schools- \$3000

K-Town C.A.W

Dog Day in November 2023- \$2,000

Parkinson's New Zealand

Wrap-Around Support for People with Parkinsons- \$1,500

KADAP - Kawerau and Districts Ageing in Place

Creating Connections to Reduce Loneliness for Seniors - \$2,300

Kawerau Seniornet Inc

Assist with Notified Rent Increase- \$2,600

Kawerau Golf and Squash Club

Beautification of Kawerau Golf and Squash Club Entranceway- \$2,000

Epilepsy Association of New Zealand

Epilepsy Field Support Services- \$600

Kawerau Blue Light Ventures

Deep-Sea Fishing Trip for Rangatahi with the Police- \$3,000

Kawerau Community Menzshed

Insurance- \$1,000

Cattykits NZ

Cattykits NZ Desexing Program 2023- \$1,000

Kawerau Employment Expo

This event showcased local industry and businesses in Kawerau and informed attendees about all the different types of jobs and careers they could do in and around Kawerau.

People had the chance to use VR (virtual reality) headsets to get the chance to visualise what certain jobs are like, and there were plenty of opportunities to network with employers.

Local rangatahi | youth also had the opportunity to attend the careers expo, giving them a chance to develop a better understanding of different industries that interest them and gain some valuable advice from those in the industry.

Upcoming Events And Meetings

6 September

Extra Ordinary Meeting,
Council Chambers 11:00am

13 September

Regulatory and Services Committee
Meeting, Council Chambers 9:00am

27 September

Ordinary Council Meeting,
Council Chambers 9.00am

8 September

Rugby World Cup Kicks-Off
(All Blacks vs France) Paris, France

9 – 27 October

Annual Maurie Kjar Aquatic Centre
maintenance shut