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Continuing With The Positivity, Let's Celebrate!

The fragile but as I write this article, still holding peace agreement in the Middle East, has been a source of welcome good news around the globe. Here in NZ, although slower than we would have liked, prices at the pumps are coming down and there are rumblings from within the Reserve Bank and from some economists, that the increase in the Official Cash Rate and other interest rates forecast for this month may not eventuate. We can only hope for the best and wait and see.

In other good news, it's time to celebrate the many successes from within our business community. From today, nominations for our North Shore Business Excellence Awards 2026 are open!! This year we're delighted to have Massey University Business School as our naming rights partner and we've joined forces with our colleagues from the Takapuna Business Association, to make this year's Awards even bigger and better than before, with more categories and opportunities to showcase you, your business and your Team.

The entry forms are easy to complete with a new handbook available online with some handy tips to help you make the most of your entry for each category. You can enter online and you can enter as many categories as you like, but you must complete a separate entry for each category.

So what are you waiting for, follow the link (<https://businessnh.org.nz/north-shore-business-excellence-awards/>) and start sending us your entries, then come along and celebrate the finalists at our Gala Dinner on 13th November, when the winners will be announced.

Ngā mihi mahana,

KEVIN O'LEARY

General Manager

The North Shore Business Excellence Awards 2026



Entries are now open for the North Shore Business Excellence Awards – your opportunity to showcase your achievements, celebrate your team, and gain recognition for the impact your business is making in our community.

Whether you're a start-up, small business, or established organisation, this is your chance to stand out and be recognised alongside the North Shore's leading businesses.

Enter Now

Upcoming Workshops & Events

Pints Of Business With Massey University



Register Now

Support The Young Leaders Day 2026



Young Leaders Day is an exciting opportunity to empower Year 12 students as they step into future leadership roles. Run by passionate student leaders from Long Bay College, Rangitoto College, and Albany Senior High School, it's a truly collaborative event.

Held on 18th August at Long Bay College, the day will bring together over 50 attendees, including inspiring keynote speakers.

The Team are seeking sponsorships to help create an engaging, high-quality experience with great catering, prizes, and speakers. Your support, big or small, will help make this inspiring day accessible and impactful for North Shore students.

Email To Enquire

The China International Small And Medium Enterprises Fair (CISMEF) Is An Amazing Opportunity To Showcase Your



The China International Small and Medium Enterprises Fair (CISMEF), will be held in Guangzhou, China, from 3rd–6th September 2026, and this is your opportunity to showcase your business.

As part of China's ongoing efforts to promote two-way international trade and encourage the introduction of high-quality overseas products, brands, and services into the Chinese market, CISMEF has become one of China's largest and most influential international business and trade platforms. The event brings together government agencies, industry associations, major corporations, buyers, investors, and leading media organisations from across China, creating exceptional opportunities for international businesses seeking to enter or expand within the Chinese market.

For New Zealand businesses, this is far more than a traditional trade exhibition. It is a valuable platform to showcase products and services, strengthen brand awareness, build business relationships, and gain first-hand insights into one of the world's most dynamic and rapidly evolving markets.

[Read More](#)
[Contact David Chen](#)

Past Events

Women In Business



Over 70 women braved a rainy Auckland morning to attend Business North Harbour's Women in Business event at North Shore Golf Club on 24th June. Guests heard candid and inspiring stories from entrepreneurs Catherine Hackett, Sarah Filipo, and Victoria Roebuck, who shared the challenges, opportunities, and courageous decisions that shaped their business journeys. The morning was filled with practical insights, resilience, and authentic conversations, proving that not even the rain could deter determined businesswomen from connecting, learning, and growing together.

[Read More](#)

Hato Hone St John First On Scene



Our recent First Aid Workshop with St John saw members gain practical, potentially life-saving skills and hands-on experience in responding to common workplace emergencies. The engaging session helped build confidence in managing critical situations before emergency services arrive, while providing valuable knowledge that can make a real difference when it matters most. Together, we're helping create safer workplaces and a more prepared business community.

June Updates From Business.govt



The June Update from Business.govt.nz brings several important insights that business owners should have on their radar.

- #1 [File your tax on time](#)
- #2 [NZ Businesses invoicing survey 2026](#)
- #3 [New guidance on selling sand products](#)
- #4 [New business assets? Claim Investment Boost](#)
- #5 [Free business resilience training](#)
- #6 [Create employment contracts easily](#)
- #7 [Want a 15% credit on your R&D costs?](#)
- #8 [Stay up to date on the fuel supply situation](#)

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Welcome To The BID



BNH extends a warm welcome to our new Members:

- [Infinit](#)
- [Wildheke](#)
- [Beaufort & Co](#)
- [Ashcroft Mitchell McGregor](#)
- [Better Bodies Osteo](#)
- [Made Evident](#)
- [Nevek Limited](#)

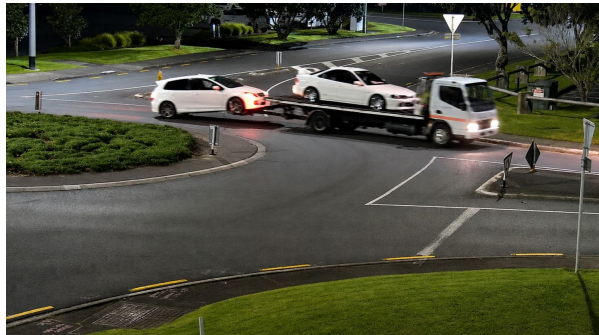
BNH Member Survey 2026



Thank you to everyone who completed the BNH Member Survey. We were thrilled to receive more than 140 survey responses, with members taking the time to share valuable feedback about their experiences, needs, and priorities. The strong response highlights the engagement and commitment of our members, and we appreciate every piece of feedback received. Together, we're building a stronger, more connected business community.

Congratulations to Sarah Bycroft from Albany Optometrists on winning the Survey prize draw! Keep an eye out for the survey findings!

BNH Roadside Cameras Verify Boy Racers Group



Recently our night security patrols noticed boy racers assembling on William Pickering Drive late on a Saturday night. Police were alerted immediately and our BNH cameras verified the offenders vehicles.

The Police attended within 13min and the group dispersed. Arrests were made and cars impounded by the Police.

Food Collection Is Open



BNH is a registered drop-off point for the Shore Winter Food Drive, so bring along non-perishable food items to support local families in need. Check out the [Approved Items List](#) and drop off your contribution any time between 8am and 5pm, Monday to Friday.

City Rail Link Update



Auckland's City Rail Link (CRL) is firmly in the spotlight, although a confirmed opening date is still under wraps. With so much interest from our community about how CRL will reshape getting in and around the city, we've pulled together this first dedicated bulletin to keep you in the loop. Feel free to share it with anyone who might want to see how CRL could work for their commute and open up new journeys across Auckland.

For more information, [click here](#).

Update On The Northern Busway Bylaw And Authorisation Requirements



We are writing to advise you of recent changes to the Northern Busway Bylaw, gazetted in 2025, which introduce updated rules regarding access, prioritisation, and the authorisation process for vehicles using the Northern Busway. The Bylaw also enables enforcement from 31st October 2026, ensuring that only authorised vehicles operate on the corridor.

All operators wishing to use the Northern Busway must now apply for authorisation. Applications require vehicle lists and supporting timetables and may take up to six weeks to process, while the new system is established. Applications for second- and third-priority vehicles will be assessed against the criteria set out in the Bylaw, including considerations of capacity and operational efficiency.

Application information and forms are available at:

Accessing the Northern Busway, [click here](#), Further details are available [here](#)
If you have any feedback or encounter issues during the application process, please [contact the Busway Bylaw team](#)

Tāmaki Makaurau Welcomes Matariki 2026



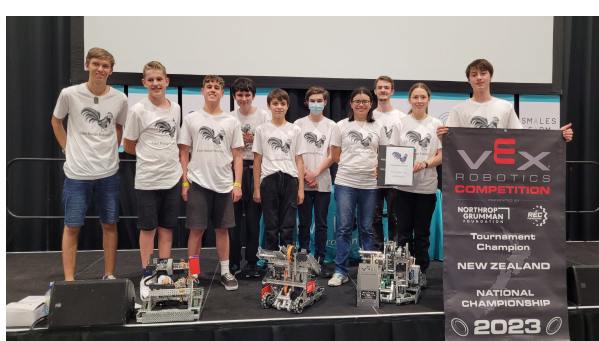
Matariki herenga waka - For Everyone

Since becoming a public holiday in 2022, the national Matariki celebration has travelled throughout Aotearoa, with different iwi hosting the annual hautapu ceremony. In 2026, Tāmaki Makaurau will host the national broadcast ceremony at Takaparawhau/Bastion Point on 10 July, led by Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei.

Read more about [Whāngai I Te Hautapu](#)

For more information on the Matariki festival across the Motu, [Click here](#).

A Place For Free Range Robotics To Call Home



[Free Range Robotics](#) is a parent-led, not-for-profit VEX V5 Robotics Club on the North Shore.

The club has been around since 2007 and has built an impressive competition record at both Nationals and Worlds, supported by access to a permanent field to practise beyond weekly sessions. In recent years, however, the lack of a dedicated field has restricted training to limited weekly meetings.

The club now seeks a permanent space with a full field to improve practice and innovation, which would enable better skill development, strategy testing, and growth of the programme.

Interested supporters can contact Jenny Clancy on 021 229 3226 or freerangerobotics@gmail.com to help provide a new home for the club.

Hot Off The Press!



Stay up to date with what's happening in and around the BID with the latest FYI – The Fuel Factor

Explore the latest industry insights, inspiring stories, and must-know trends shaping our community. [Read Now](#)

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