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# Kiwi returning to Kahurangi

Friends of Flora is a community group proactively working to preserve native fauna. They, in partnership with the Department of Conservation, are implementing a conservation strategy to bring about the protection and return of endangered and threatened flora and fauna to the Flora Stream catchment area in Kahurangi National Park.

Friends of Flora received a \$2500 grant from Tasman District Council for infra-red cameras to monitor breeding attempts of great spotted kiwi in the project area. They have purchased the cameras and deployed them in the field.

The aim is to monitor the outcome of breeding attempts. Currently there are several pairs of kiwi that are incubating and chicks could hatch between now and the end of February. Little is known about the breeding habits and success of great spotted kiwi. The monitoring will give the group information critical to achieving the objective of a sustainable kiwi population in the project area.

At the end of November 2013 one of the cameras picked up some kiwi footage – which was really exciting for all involved. You can see this footage on Youtube (search 'friends of flora kiwi).

For more information go to the Friends of Flora website: www.fof.org.nz



# **Message from the Mayor**

The end of 2013 has come around very quickly. While there are still economic challenges ahead the majority of sectors within the District are experiencing encouraging results. With increases in nearly all commodity prices and returns we are witnessing an increasing optimism reflected in investment and development. We have also experienced significant development and vibrancy in Richmond.

The Council is continuing the work it started a year ago of containing costs and rates increases. Recent decisions will continue this financial constraint as we move into the next Annual Plan process. The Council's focus continues to be the development of core infrastructure and essential services, not only for current residents but also for future residents attracted by the opportunities our District provides. Now is the time to celebrate the previous year, look forward to the next and spend time with our family and friends. I am certainly looking forward to the opportunity to enjoy the magnificent place we all call home.

In ending this year I wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy new year and hope the time brings everything you wish for and for your family and friends.

On behalf of my elected colleagues and the Council staff, have a safe and happy holiday.

**Mayor Richard Kempthorne** 



# Tasman District Council Office & Service Centres holiday hours

Tasman District Council and its Services Centres in Richmond, Motueka, Takaka and Murchison will be closed over the Christmas and New Year period.

Richmond, Takaka and Motueka close at 3.00 pm on Tuesday 24 December 2013 and reopen at 8.00 am on Monday 6 January 2014. Murchison will be closed Wednesday 25 and Thursday 26 December 2013 and will reopen Friday 27 December 2013.

Murchison will then close again on Wednesday 1 January and Thursday 2 January 2014, and reopen again on Friday 3 January 2014.

At all times over the Christmas/New Year break Council's 24-hour phone service will be operating. To contact the Council in the event of an emergency during this time, just phone your local Council Service Centre, Ph. 03 543 8400.





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# Port Tarakohe development update

The first stage of the work to ensure that Port Tarakohe plays an important role in supporting the economic and recreational opportunities in Golden Bay in the future has been put in place.

A revised fees and charges schedule, that will take effect on 1 January 2014, will help secure the Port financially. Part two of the plan is open for feedback until 31 January 2014.

Part two is about the development of the Port, what is going to happen on the site, what facilities should there be and what infrastructure should be maintained and developed? The proposed development plan identifies the possibilities that are in the offing and what limitations the site, location and market impose on any plans.

until 31 January 2014.

Future governance of the asset is also being considered. Sale or disposal is not. The options are discussed in the proposed Development Plan. The development of the Port is essential for its future and ideally the local community and users will play an active part in its development. Feedback on the Development Plan and the future of the Port generally is very welcome.

The proposed Port Tarakohe Development Plan and submission forms are available on the Council's website at www.tasman.govt.nz/link/port-tarakohe. Feedback will be accepted

# **Upgrade for combined map service**

The online map tool, Top of the South Maps, has been upgraded to make it even easier to use with some great new features.

Top of the South Maps gives a regional map view of property information, services, planning and recreation facilities. Tasman District and Nelson City Councils have been working hard together on the project, which now offers users an enhanced and improved service.

#### New features include:

- A mobile version simply visit www.topofthesouthmaps.co.nz on your smartphone or tablet and install the app
- Street View click the icon and click a street to get a view of the local area
- Easier to use combined layer lists, legends and quick views
- A 'more data' option enables the display of contours over aerial photography
- Cemetery records are now available by simply searching for a person's name
- Walking tracks have been separated from cycling tracks and mountain bike tracks are now displayed by grade (1 = Easy, 5 = Hard)
- Share maps via Facebook, or export data into a wide range of formats.

So whether you're a keen walker, involved in resource management or looking to buy a property, now there's even more useful stuff on Top of the South Maps. Go to www.topofthesouthmaps.co.nz for more information.

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# **Changes are afoot at Mapua Wharf**

Visitors to Mapua Wharf over the summer will notice a few changes to the precinct.

Through consultation with the local businesses and community groups, the Council has extended the grass area close to the Mapua Ferry and there are more picnic tables available for people to sit and enjoy the view. Big apples have been painted to denote a shared space where pedestrians are able to wander and take in the friendly atmosphere of the precinct, as well as enjoy the facilities the local businesses have on offer.

Between 20 December 2013 and 7 February 2014, the wharf precinct is closed to vehicles apart from delivery vehicles and vehicles associated with the launching of boats. This is new and is the result of a recent amendment to the Traffic Control Bylaw 2013 which came into force on 16 December 2013. Details of the Bylaw can be found on Council's website www.tasman.govt.nz

# **Toxic Algae monitoring underway**

The Council has started its summer toxic algae monitoring programme in the Lee, Wairoa, Waimea and Motueka Rivers. Early results have shown no sign of any toxic algae in our main rivers at this stage.

Monitoring in these rivers will continue weekly throughout the summer months and results can be viewed on the Council website.

#### **Monitoring Toxic Algae**

If you are a regular user of our rivers and take dogs or toddlers down to play in the water, we strongly recommend that you become familiar with the toxic algae and avoid contact when it is present.

The algae that is of most concern is relatively distinctive, forming mats that are soft, dark coloured (black, dark green or dark brown), sometimes thick (over 5mm) and somewhat jelly-like.

The Council will place warning signs at the most popular sites if the algae reaches levels exceeding 20%.

Any resident concerned about toxic algae, or who wishes to report a site where algae is present, can contact the Council any time on Ph. 03 543 8400. A photo of the algae and/or the site would also be helpful.



For more information go to: www.tasman.govt.nz/environment/water/rivers/river-water-quality/<u>monitoring-toxic-algae</u>



# Bathing water quality sampling in full swing

In mid-November 2013, the Tasman District Council began summer water quality sampling for 20 popular swimming spots across the region. The sites, on rivers and beaches, will be visited every Tuesday until the end of February 2014.

According to the Council's resource scientist, Trevor James, we can take comfort in knowing that most of the time – 97-98% for nearly all sites tested during dry weather periods – our rivers and beaches are safe for swimming, water-skiing and other sports that involve total body immersion in water.

On the rare occasion when our rivers and streams are contaminated, the problem is usually faecal matter from livestock, septic tanks or flocks of birds during, or straight after, moderate to heavy rain. This faecal matter has a tendency to wash into streams and out to the coast.

During peak season, the Council will sample the most popular river and beach locations twice-weekly. Despite this regular sampling, it is important to make your own assessment of the water before jumping in.

"If it has been raining recently and the water is murky, there is a much greater likelihood that you could get sick", Mr James said.

The sampling round includes the Takaka, Motueka and Waimea rivers and their tributaries plus Pohara, Tukurua, Marahau and Kaiteriteri beaches. Water temperature and water clarity are measured, a sample is taken for faecal analysis in the lab and the area is searched for toxic algae.

To find water quality information for your favourite swimming spot head to www.tasman.govt.nz/environment/water/swimming-water-quality

# **Moorings review**

The Council is reviewing how activities and structures, which in this case are predominantly moorings, along the coast are managed. Anyone who has a boat, uses the marine area, or has an interest in what happens along the coast should be aware of the changes being considered.

Changes to both the Navigation Safety Bylaw and the coastal section of the Tasman Resource Management Plan (TRMP) will effect how and where maritime activities occur.

The Navigation Safety Bylaw is being repealed and replaced with new Navigation Bylaws as a result of changes to the Maritime Transport Act 1994.

The new bylaw covers a wider range of activities but continues to concentrate primarily on maritime safety. Changes to speed limits, waterskiing areas and access lanes, kite-surfing and sailboarding areas, commercial vessel operations, mooring provisions, council-owned facility rules and the introduction of new motorised-vessel exclusion zones are among some of the changes.

In combination with these changes, the Council is reviewing the TRMP rules for moorings. It is seeking to better integrate the management of maritime activities and reduce complexity in the approval process.

Significant changes to the rules are being considered with the introduction of new 'mooring areas' at a number of locations along the coast where moorings are already located. A discussion paper has been prepared that looks at options for these proposed changes and includes maps of the possible new mooring areas at Motueka, Tapu Bay, Kaiteriteri, Otuwhero Inlet, Glasgow Bay, Boundary Bay, Ligar Bay, Milnethorpe, and Westhaven. Changes to the existing mooring areas at Mapua, Motueka, and Stephens Bay are also being considered. The review also considers options for changing the list of 'permitted coastal structures'.

The Council is consulting on the potential changes from 6 January 2014 to 28 March 2014.

Information on the proposed changes to both the Bylaw and Tasman Resource Management Plan can be accessed on the Council's website (www.tasman.govt.nz/link/consultations) or you can request hard copies from Email info@tasman.govt.nz. The website contains the Statement of Proposal – Navigation Bylaw (2014), the Discussion Paper on the Review of Mooring Management and the relevant feedback forms.

If you wish to make a submission on the changes to either document you can do this online or by completing a hard-copy form and sending it Council at Private Bag 4, Richmond, 7050.

#### **Contact:**

Navigation Safety Bylaw:

Adrian Humphries, Email adrian.humphries@tasman.govt.nz

Tasman Resource Management Plan: Maxine Day, Email maxine.day@tasman.govt.nz





# **Woollaston Estates/Tineli Tour de Vineyards**

## Now in it's 13th year the Tour de Vineyards is held around the roads and streets of Richmond and the wider Tasman District.

This year the event has been elevated to Elite status, and caters for Elite Men, Elite Women and Masters, with special traffic management requirements to meet safety standards.

If you are travelling in Tasman District on any of the days the race is taking place (see below) then please be aware there may be some slight delays to ensure the competitors safety. The Tasman District Council and Opus International have been working closely with the organisers, Tasman Wheelers, to ensure minimum disruption.

We thank residents, visitors and the motoring public for your assistance. The dates and stage details are as follows:

**Stage 1, 31 December 2013, 3.00 pm start.** 10km Individual time trial, from Lord Rutherford Road South, around the Mount Heslington Circuit, to finish in River Terrace Road by the Brightwater Motor Inn. Traffic Stop/Go measures will be carried out at the intersection of Mt. Heslington Road and River Terrace Road.

**Stage 2, 1 January 2014, 10.30 am start.** 128km bunch race on the Upper Moutere Circuit, based at Woollaston Estates. 16km lap circuit race, along George Harvey/Best/Gardner Roads, through Upper Moutere and onto Old Coach Road. Traffic Stop/Go measures will be carried out at the

intersections of Dominion Road and George Harvey Road, Best Road and Gardner Valley Road, Gardner Valley Road and the Moutere Highway.

**Stage 3, 2 January 2014, 10.00 am start.** 128km bunch race that takes in Lower Moutere, Edwards Road, Waiwhero, Ngatimoti, Thorpe, Dovedale, Neudorf Hill, Prices Corner, and Central Road finish area. Traffic Stop/Go measures will be carried out at the intersections of Prices Corner, Central/Edwards Road, and Waiwhero/Ngatimoti corner.

**Stage 4, 3 January 2014, 10.00 am start.** 115km bunch race from Faulkners Bush Reserve, Wakefield that takes in Eighty Eight Valley Road, Golden Downs, Kohatu, Tapawera, Stanley Brook, Motueka River West Bank, Brooklyn, Riwaka, to finish at the top of the Takaka Hill. Traffic Stop/Go measures will be carried out at 88 Valley/Stock Road, Stock Road/Valley Road, North Road/SH63, SH63/Kohatu, and Swamp Road/SH60 at Riwaka. The finish area, the two lane section at the top of Takaka Hill, will be the single inside lane for riders finishing, and uphill traffic from the Motueka side will use the single outside lane.

**Stage 5, 4 January 2014, 9.00 am start.** Street Circuit race in Richmond, start/finish on Hill Street by Hillplough Heights, and takes in Washbourn Drive, Chelsea Avenue, Wensley Road, Hart Road, and Hill Street. Traffic Stop/Go measures will be carried out at Hill Street, Washbourn Drive, Chelsea Avenue, Wensley Road, and Hart Road Roundabout. The event is scheduled to finish at approximately 1.30 pm.

# Rates – direct debit date changes

The direct debit of rates, which normally go through on a Thursday night, will change for two weeks over the Christmas period. The direct debits will now be processed on Friday 27 December 2013 and Friday 3 January 2014. After this period they will revert back to the usual day of Thursday. If you have any questions please contact Customer Services on Ph. 03 543 8400.

# **Pest of the Month: Wild Ginger**

There are two species of wild ginger – Kahili Ginger (Hedychium gardnerianum) and Yellow Ginger (Hedychium flavescens).

Kahili Ginger is the most common species in our region. It is originally from India and Nepal, and has been widely planted for its strongly-scented colourful flowers. Note that the rhizomes are not edible - it is the Ginger plant (*Zingiber officinal*) that is grown and imported from Asia that produces edible root ginger.

Kahili ginger grows prolifically in dense clumps with persistent rhizomes with broad shiny leaves up to two metres high, capable of spreading under forest canopies. Flowering begins in late summer to early autumn, eventually producing bright red seeds which birds eat and can distribute far and wide. It has also been spread by gardeners who, realising that it is taking over their garden, remove the rhizomes and dump them on remote roadsides, starting new infestations. Collingwood, Parapara, Paton's Rock and Kaiteriteri communities are places where Kahili ginger infestations have spread. Wild ginger is banned from sale and propagation.

The Tasman-Nelson Regional Pest Management Strategy requires residents in the Golden Bay, and through to Kaiteriteri, to control all adult and juvenile ginger plants on land they occupy. If you live outside of this area and you have a few plants growing wild on your land, then it is worth controlling them before they become well established.

Small seedlings can be grubbed out. If clumps of plants are dug out, dispose of the rhizomes in your domestic rubbish or arrange

disposal at your local rubbish transfer site. The rhizomes will continue to grow if composted. The best control method is to spray the leaves with metsulfuron (Escort). If you would like further information on control methods and herbicide types, please contact your Biosecurity Officer on Ph. 03 543 7225.



## Public Notice of Provisional Local Alcohol Policy

Tasman District Council gives notice pursuant to section 80(1) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2013 that it is publicly notifying its Provisional Local Alcohol Policy (Provisional LAP). The Provisional LAP can be viewed on the Tasman District Council web site at www.tasman.govt.nz/link/provisional-lap or a paper copy can be obtained by telephoning Tasman District Council during office hours on 03 543 8400.

In summary, the Provisional LAP states:

- The hours for all Club Licences:Monday to Sunday, 8am until 2am the following dayThe hours for all Off-Licences:Monday to Sunday 7am to 10pm
- The hours for all On-Licences:
- Monday to Sunday, 8am until 2am the following day (24 hours per day for `in bedroom mini-bars in hotels)

Discretionary conditions are also included for all license types and controls on the location of new off-license premises are imposed.

Except for the Police and the Medical Officer of Health, only people who made a submission on the draft LAP can appeal against an element of the provisional LAP. The period during which an appeal may be made against any element of the Provisional LAP commences on 19 December 2013 which is the date of publication of this Notice. Any appeal must be made to the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority, Private Bag 32 001, Wellington 6146, within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

The only ground on which an element of the Policy can be appealed against is that it is unreasonable in the light of the object of the Sale and Supply and Alcohol Act 2012.

## Psychoactive Products Policy

The Council has adopted a Local Approved Psychoactive Products Policy, effective from 16 December 2013. The aim of the policy is to minimise the harm to the community caused by psychoactive substances, or 'legal highs'.

The policy restricts retailers of these products to the central business districts of Richmond, Motueka and Takaka. Retailers cannot be within 100 metres of a school, kindergarten, playground, reserve or place of worship. Licences for retailers are issued by the Ministry of Health, who should take the policy into account when considering applications.

> For more information on the policy go to: www.tasman.govt.nz/ policy/policies/localapproved-psychoactiveproducts-policy

# Communityrecreation

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TI Bring on Summer! A jam packed programme of sensational summer events is scheduled to take place across the District over the coming months. Here is a snapshot of to what to look forward to.

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Monday 30 December	Richmond Market Day	Queen Street, Richmond
Friday 3 & Sunday 5 January	Interislander Nelson Harness Races	Richmond Park Racecouse, Richmond
Sunday 5 January	Tata Titanic Cardboard Boat Race	Tata Beach, Pohara
Sunday 5 January	Tasman Jazz Blues	Washbourn Gardens, Richmond
Saturday 11 January	Pohara Beach Sand Sculpture Extravaganza	Pohara Beach, Pohara
Saturday 18 – Sunday 19 January	Festival Nelson Lakes	Lake Rotoiti, Nelson Lakes
Sunday 26 January	Teddy Bears Picnic	Decks Reserve, Motueka
Sunday 2 February	Sarau Festival	Moutere Hills Community Centre, Upper Moutere
Thursday 6 February	Waitangi Day Celebration	Te Awhina Marae, Motueka
Saturday 8 February	Golden Bay Mardi Gras	Village Green, Takaka
Saturday 8 February	Flash Electrical Beach Fun	Kaiteriteri Beach, Motueka

For more information and a complete listing of regional summer events, pick up your copy of 'Hummin in Tasman' from Tasman District Council Service Centres and Libraries, Richmond Mall and over 500 outlets across the District. For the very latest event listings online go to www.itson.co.nz



### SUMMER 2013/2014

# **Communityrecreation**



The Tasman Skatepark Tour returns to the region, with six competitions scheduled during January 2014 and over \$7,000 of prizes on offer for the annual extreme sport festival. Age group competitions in Skate, BMX and Scooter will be contested, with entries taken on the day. Helmets are compulsory for all competitors.

Park	2014 Dates & Times	
Мариа	Wednesday 8 January	
	5.00 pm – 7.00 pm	
Takaka	Saturday 11 January	
	2.00 pm – 4.00 pm	
Tapawera	Wednesday 15 January	
	5.00 pm – 7.00 pm	
Motueka	Saturday 18 January	
	2.00 pm – 4.00 pm	
Brightwater	Wednesday 22 January	
	5.00 pm – 7.00 pm	
Richmond	Saturday 25 January	
	2.00 pm – 4.00 pm	

## **BIG BIKE TUNE UP**

Is your bike in need of some TLC? A series of mobile bike mechanic workshops are offering free bike tune up services to make sure your bike is safe, road worthy and fits you. The BBTU will be operating in conjunction with the Mapua, Motueka and Richmond Tasman Skatepark Tour Events.

## **GET MOVING FAMILY FUN RIDES**

Dust off those bikes and Get Moving! Family fun rides return to the region, and are suitable for all ages, skill and fitness levels.

Sunday 16 February	Motueka
Sunday 23 February	Golden Bay
Sunday 2 March	Rabbit Island



# Refuse and Recycling collections – Christmas and New Year timetable

### Monday 23 to Sunday 29 December 2013

Some collections are one day later to allow for the Christmas Day public holiday.

	Kerbside Collections	Kaiteriteri Collections
Monday 23 December	Normal collection	Refuse collection
Tuesday 24 December	Normal collection	Refuse and Recycling
Wednesday 25 December	No collections	No collections
Thursday 26 December	Wednesday collections	Refuse collection
Friday 27 December	Thursday collections	Refuse and recycling collection
Saturday 28 December	Friday collections	Refuse collection
Sunday 29 December	No collections	Refuse collection

#### Monday 30 December 2013 to Sunday 6 January 2014

Some collections are one day later to allow for the New Year's Day public holiday.

	Kerbside Collections	Kaiteriteri Collections
Monday 30 December	Normal Collection	Refuse collection
Tuesday 31 December	Normal collection	Refuse and recycling collection
Wednesday 1 January	No collections	No collections
Thursday 2 January	Wednesday collections	Refuse collection
Friday 3 January	Thursday collections	Refuse and recycling collection
Saturday 4 January	Friday collections	Refuse collection
Sunday 6 January	No Collections	Refuse collection

### During the holiday period, some Resource Recovery Centres will be open additional hours.

#### Resource Recovery Centres – Extended Opening Hours

From Friday 20 December 2013 to Thursday 13 February 2014 the Takaka and Collingwood Resource Recovery Centres are open seven days a week. The Murchison site will be open additional hours on Monday and Saturday for those two weeks. All Resource Recovery sites in Tasman District are closed on Christmas and New Year's Day.

#### Takaka Resource Recovery Centre

- Monday Friday, 8.30 am 4.00 pm
- Saturday, 9.00 am 4.00 pm
- Sunday, 1.00 pm 4.00 pm

#### **Collingwood Resource Recovery Centre**

• Monday – Sunday, 1.00 pm – 4.00 pm





# Newslineupdate



## **Public Notices**

## Adoption of Bylaw – Traffic Control Bylaw 2013

The following bylaw has been through the Special Consultative Procedure under Part 6 Section 86 of the Local Government Act 2002. Submissions to the bylaw were heard at a Submissions Hearing on 13 November 2013 and the final bylaw was presented and adopted by the Council at its meeting on 5 December 2013:

Tasman District Council Consolidated Bylaw: Chapter 7 – Traffic Control 2013

The Council resolved that this bylaw be adopted and come into force on 16 December 2013 – Chapter 7 – Traffic Control 2013.

This Bylaw is now available for viewing during normal Council hours at the following locations:

Richmond Office, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

Motueka Service Centre, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka

Takaka Service Centre, 78 Commercial Street, Takaka Murchison Service Centre, 92 Fairfax Street, Murchison

And libraries:

District Library, Queen Street, Richmond

Motueka Library, Pah Street, Motueka

Takaka Memorial Library, Commercial Street, Takaka The bylaw is also available on the Council's website at: www.tasman.govt.nz

### 24 Hour Assistance – Phone your local Service Centre

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## **Public Notices**

### Navigation Safety Bylaw: Temporary reservations and speed-limit upliftings for maritime events during holiday period

Pursuant to provisions of the Navigation Safety Bylaw 2005, the Tasman District Council Harbourmaster has or may soon grant authorisations for the following temporary events during the upcoming holiday period.

Event Date(s)	Location	Activity
31 December – 1 January	Kaiteriteri	Fireworks
31 December – 1 January	Torrent Bay	Fireworks
3 or 4 January	Collingwood	Raft Race
4 January	Kaiteriteri	Waterski and kayak racing
5 or 19 January	Tata Beach	Tata Titanic cardboard boat race
11 or 12 January	Tata Beach	Swimming races

Water users not involved in these events may be excluded from defined areas during the activities. Notices will be placed at nearby access points during events.

Further details may be viewed at: www.tasman.govt.nz/recreation/boating-fishing/ special-events-and-activities



## **Community Notices**

## Rockville Museum – Summer Steam-up Day

Sunday 29 December 2013, 10.00 am – 3.00 pm

Steam section in action all day.

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## Abel Tasman 371 – Remembering 1642 and the meeting of two worlds

#### Golden Bay is where New Zealand's earliest recorded event took place.

On 18 December 1642, Abel Tasman and his crew on two ships, the Heemskerck and the Zeehaen sailed into Golden Bay, five days after they had first sighted land. From their calm anchorage off Wainui Bay they saw signs of life: fires around the coast and advancing waka and warriors.

This was the first meeting between Ngati Tumatakokiri and people of another race, and they shared no language. As events unfolded the following morning, the meeting ended in confrontation and death, and Tasman sailed off, to the shelter of Rangitoto d'Urville Island (shown in the picture). There they celebrated the first Christmas in New Zealand waters by eating two of their pigs and enjoying an extra ration of wine.

After sitting out bad weather they explored the waters now known as Cook Strait (which they believed to be a passage from the tidal flows) before sailing up the west coast of the North Island. Cape Maria van Dieman and Three Kings Islands were named as they headed north and away from their experience in "Murderers' Bay". The architecturally significant Tasman Memorial (above Ligar Bay) was constructed in 1942 as New Zealand's official national monument to the 1642 events. It looks out over Golden Bay towards the original anchorage, and it's easy to imagine what took place so long ago. Plans are underway for upgrading the information panels to better present the story.

Golden Bay Museum in Takaka is New Zealand's permanent museum display recording Tasman's voyage of discovery and the first meeting of two peoples. It includes a scale model diorama of the ships and waka, a larger scale model of the Heemskerck, a commemorative quilt and, most recently, a computer interactive. Visitors can purchase the associated book Strangers in Mohua (published in 2000) and cards reproduced from Tasman's journal.

A new permanent website (www.abeltasman.org.nz) is being developed to succeed the one which recorded the AT370 commemoration in 2012.

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