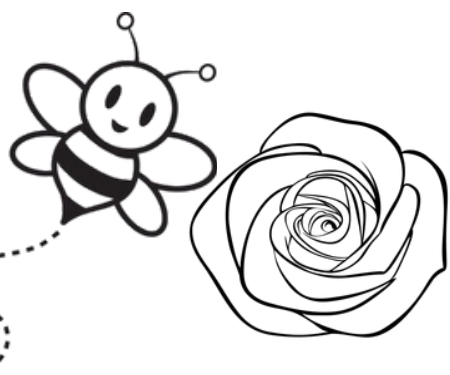
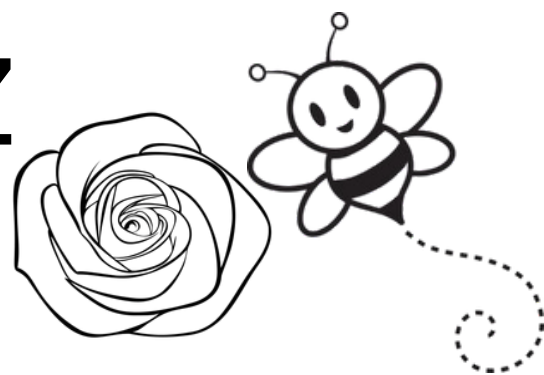




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What's the Buzz... what's been happening

Visit Pirongia and support our local businesses

In mid-October, the bridge on SH39 between Pirongia and Otorohanga will be closed for repairs. Businesses in Pirongia endured a difficult time after the floods earlier this year, and with the bridge out of action they will once again face a dramatic reduction in traffic. Please come out to the village when you can, and support our hardworking local business owners.

Seniors Expo on 1st October

If you're reading this early-ish on the 1st of October, you're in time for the **Te Awamutu Seniors Expo** at the Presbyterian Centre, 80 Mutu St, 10am to 4pm. Free entry, all welcome!

Creativity on display at the Rosebank Art Centre

On 19-20 September, **Rosebank Art Centre** opened the doors of the art house on Churchill St for *A Weekend Exhibition*.

Artist of the Month Max Ward featured in his very first exhibition in the main room, with support from fellow artists in the surrounding spaces. Around 150 visitors viewed the beautiful artworks and enjoyed the chance to speak with the artists. Sincere thanks to sponsor Arvida Whai Mauri Ora. Check out the new website: www.rosebankartcentre.org

Rosetown Choristers Spring Concert

The **Rosetown Choristers** held a successful and well-attended concert called *Journeys*, with songs about various physical and spiritual journeys. At the end, the whole room joined in *What a Wonderful World* and then got the chance to catch up over afternoon tea. The Choristers have since taken *Journeys* to the Tamahere Eventide Home and Atawhai Assisi at Matangi for residents to enjoy. The group welcomes anyone to sing with them at their Christmas events. Phone Sheryll on 021 892 782 for information.

Keep New Zealand Beautiful

During September, the Keep Te Awamutu Beautiful group participated in National Clean-Up Week by painting tired areas on Alexandra St and picking up litter in the Warehouse car park. If you'd like to volunteer for future working bees, please contact the Te Awamutu Information & Visitor Centre.

Spotlight on the Buzz...

Bright Boxes bringing light into the lives of kids!

The **Altrusa Club of Te Awamutu** support families and children through initiatives that promote literacy, and one of their projects is **Bright Boxes**. Boxes painted in bright colours are filled with books that are donated to local children via several distribution centres like Kainga Aroha, Loving Arms and Women's Refuge. Some books come from Book Fairs, but many are kindly donated by members of our community. If you have good quality used (or new) books to donate, please drop them at the Te Awamutu Information & Visitor Centre for the Altrusa volunteers to collect.

Interested in volunteering?

If you're thinking you'd like to get involved and give back to the community, we'd love to hear from you! Pop in and have a chat with our team about the right role for you.

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What's the Buzz... what's coming soon

Ready for a gorgeous show!

The 62nd **Annual Spring Rose Show** is happening in early November. The Te Awamutu Rose Society welcomes entries from individuals in the community (children and adults), businesses and community groups. Free to enter. Bring your roses and displays to Te Awamutu Sports & Rec Club on **Thurs 5 November (4 to 5.50pm only)**. Ph/txt Diana 027 574 6505.

Kainga Aroha Monster Mash Disco for kids

On Sat 17 October Camp Kainga Aroha will hold the **Monster Mash Kids' Disco**, a fundraiser to allow K.A to continue to provide fun, affordable activities for our tamariki to enjoy in 2027. Two sessions: **5.30 to 6.30pm for 5-8 year olds, 7 to 8.30pm for 9-13 year olds** at the Te Awamutu Scouts Hall, Scout Lane. Both sessions fully supervised by police-vetted staff. Tickets \$10 per child, available at the Te Awamutu Information & Visitor Centre, limited door sales. Costumes optional - any character, any theme - prize for the winner!

Enjoy a summer's day at beautiful homes and gardens!

The **2026 Altrusa Home & Garden Ramble** is on **Sunday 1 November** (rain or shine). 11 fabulous homes and gardens in/around Te Awamutu to browse at your own pace, with raffles and stalls selling craft and artwork along the way. Stop at the Burchell Pavilion on Gorst Avenue for morning tea and lunch, and you'll see Te Awamutu Rose Society and Te Awamutu Community Food Forest there showcasing what they do. Tickets on sale from 1 October, \$40 per person via **www.altrusateawamutu**. Funds raised will go to two local community charities.

Waipā Women's Hub Wellness Day

Anyone interested in women's health and wellness is welcome at the Waipā Women's Hub Wellness Day on **14 November**, 9.30am to 3.30pm at 321 Bank Street, Te Awamutu. Come and hear our awesome guest speakers, browse the stalls, and enjoy the fare at a variety of food and coffee carts. Entry fee \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members.

Rosetown Annual Fair

Te Awamutu's largest craft fair/market, the **Rosetown Annual Fair** is on 9am to 3pm on **14 November** at Selwyn Park, Gorst Ave, Te Awamutu. This fair raises funds for the Te Awamutu Information & Visitor Centre. Check out 100+ craft stalls, food trucks, entertainment (incl. Rowdy's Rose and Te Awamutu Pipe Band), unicorn pony rides and face painting. [Stallholders, please note this event is now fully booked.]

Our Local Markets

NEW! Rosetown Produce Fair, Thursdays 1pm to 5pm

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Rosetown Monthly Fair, Saturday 24th October

4th Saturday every month, 10am to 2pm, at Selwyn Park, Gorst Ave. Te Awamutu's local Craft Market, with 80+ stalls, food trucks & entertainment, a fun family-friendly event

Pirongia Market, Sunday 25th October

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