



WELCOME TO OUR *Monthly Newsletter*

Chair Update



Winter has certainly made its presence felt, with some spectacular frosts across the district. While the mornings have been chilly, it's encouraging to see plenty of warmth and positivity within our local business community.

A warm Chamber welcome to our newest members, Dannevirke Glass & Aluminium and hope you enjoy the benefits of networking with other businesses in the Chamber. Congratulations to the recently opened Hum and Buzz café in town. It's fantastic to see new businesses investing in Dannevirke. We encourage everyone to get out and support these local businesses.

In this newsletter:

Latest projects, events,
resources, and more.

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Dates for your Diary:

- Chamber of Commerce After 5s Event : TBD
- Chamber of Commerce AGM: 10th August 2026, 5.30pm – Onwards
- Business Continuity Planning " Tararua REAP: 18th August 2026
- Daffodil Day Fundraiser @ the Regent Cinema Dannevirke: 18th August 2026, 6pm – Onwards
- Te Āpiti Traverse Trail Event: 19th Sept 2026, 8am – Onwards

A big thank you also goes to the new owners of DART Panel & Paint, Zane and Jesse for hosting our recent Business After 5 event. It was a great evening with an excellent turnout, providing members with another opportunity to network, share ideas, and hear about the exciting plans they have for the business.

As we head towards spring, there is plenty happening in our community, and the Chamber looks forward to continuing to support local businesses and creating opportunities for members to connect and grow. Tararua Reap has a great workshop organised for businesses on 18 Aug so look out for the details of this event.

Our AGM is being held on 10th Aug so please come along and if you have any great ideas for businesses to improve our town, consider joining our committee and let us hear your suggestions.

Thank you to all our members for your ongoing support. Together, we can help to build a strong and vibrant business community.

Your Chair,
Tracey Friend

Business Continuity Planning

Free workshop to help businesses prepare for the unexpected

FREE WORKSHOP: Business Continuity Planning hosted by CEDA x Tararua REAP

Most business owners have thought about a continuity plan. Far fewer actually have one. Join us for a **FREE** Business Continuity Planning workshop with CEDA for a structured, three-hour session giving you practical tools and a plan you can use to prepare for the unexpected, before it becomes an emergency. **FREE** for New Zealand business owners. Limited spaces.

When: 18th August 2026
Duration: 3 hour interactive workshop
Where: Tararua REAP, 15 Gordon Street, Dannevirke

Register for the **FREE** session that works best for you.

- ✓ Practical tools and frameworks
- ✓ Free for NZ business owners
- ✓ Provided by Central Economic Development Agency (CEDA) and facilitated by Chris Gallavin

Future-proof your business and register today

<https://events.humanitix.com/business-continuity-planning-free-workshop-dannevirke>

CEDA, the Central Economic Development Agency, is the Regional Business Partner across the Manawatu-Whanganui region.

Email: business.enquiry@ceda.nz

Call: 0800 233 278

eInvoicing Pūtea Tāhiko

Webinars: July – August

Pick and mix from our comprehensive eInvoicing webinar series, designed to help businesses and government agencies streamline their invoicing processes, boost efficiency, and stay up to date with the latest best practices.

Note: All webinars are held online, and registration information will be managed in accordance with our webinar privacy statement.

More Info via:

www.einvoicing.govt.nz/webinars



Have your say on the revision of New Zealand's leading construction standard – NZS 3604 Timber-framed buildings: Closes Sept 8th 2026

NZS 3604 Timber-framed buildings is a leading standard used by designers, builders, architects, engineers, and consenting authorities. This consultation provides the formal opportunity for individuals, organisations, and stakeholders with an interest in the standard to review and provide feedback on the proposed changes.

Find out more via this link:

<https://consultations.standards.govt.nz/draft-standards/dz-nzs-3604-timber-framed-buildings/>

After 5s: **July 2026**



It was a very well attended After 5s last Tuesday at DART Panel & Paint. A big thank you to the Zane, Jesse and team for hosting our July After 5s event.

It was great to hear their journey and all the exciting things that have happened since the change of ownership this year.

Also a massive shoutout to everyone who ventured out on a cold winters night! Your support of the Chamber and the Business Community does not go unnoticed.

If you or your business is interested in hosting an After 5s event, please get in touch with the Chamber today:

info@dannevirkechamber.co.nz

Service Spotlight: **Activate Gym**

📍 25 Gordon Street,
Dannevirke 4930

☎ 06 - 374 7920

We are thrilled to announce Activate Gym Dannevirke as our Service Spotlight for the months of August & September. This spotlight is to shine the light the incredible work Erana Peeti-Webber and her team do to support health and wellbeing in our town! For anyone who uses the gym or goes to classes has the opportunity to enter the giveaway and will have a chance to win a \$100 Gym Voucher!

**Gifts And Souvenirs
have come to the end
of a long journey with
our community. Gifts
and Souvenirs have
been longtime
members of the
Chamber and on
behalf of the Chamber
& business community
we wish them a heart
felt goodbye.**



Big thanks to Helen, Carole and Catherine for their many years of service to the town.



2027 Photography Competition
People, Place and Pride

TDC has launched their 2027 photography competition. Everyone, of all ages, has the chance to take part. Entry forms are available from all Tararua District Council Service Centres and libraries, just drop in and collect one. Entries close on 30 September 2027 so that's over 12 months to take your best shots!

DIABETES EDUCATION WORKSHOP



Receiving a diabetes (mate huka) or prediabetes (tūraru mate huka) diagnosis can sometimes feel overwhelming and isolating. If you're unsure about where to start or who to talk to, MHT Diabetes Trust can help.

WHEN:	WHERE:	TOPIC:
18 July 10am – 12pm	Tararua REAP, 15 Gordon Street, Dannevirke	Healthy Living Module 1 of 3
25 July 10am – 12pm	Tararua REAP, 15 Gordon Street, Dannevirke	Healthy Living Module 2 of 3
1 August 10am – 12pm	Tararua REAP, 15 Gordon Street, Dannevirke	Healthy Living Module 3 of 3
8 August 10am – 12pm	Tararua REAP, 17 Gordon Street, Dannevirke	Welcome to Type 2 Diabetes
29 August 10.30am – 12.30pm	Tararua REAP, 15 Gordon Street, Dannevirke	Cooking Demonstration

All workshops are FREE for the public to attend. Registrations are essential.

Scan the QR code for more information.



Contact:
admin@diabetestrust.org.nz
www.diabetestrust.org.nz
or Facebook MHT Diabetes



Service Spotlight: June – July

Thanks to Eileen Mary Masonic Care Facility for being our Service Spotlight. Thanks to those that entered the giveaway. More details via FaceBook



A message from Exec:

As we get closer to the end of the year, this is your reminder to get ready for the Dannevirke Christmas Parade. Judging will be take place for the best floats and with a number of awards up for grabs, now is the time to get your creativity flowing.

The Dannevirke Christmas Parade will be on **5th of Dec (Saturday) 2026 starting at 12pm**

If you would like to promote your business or local project in our newsletter; please get in touch with the Chamber via our email today!

YOUR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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