

snap decision. Capitalism is a man's world. Start with competition and monopolism and end up with the takeover of power. I didn't expect that from our board, especially after the tendency to the left in Waiheke.

The country, through Winston Peters, recognises the short comings of capitalism. Here the moratorium against poisonous spray, discussed with the people for years, is overturned by a snap decision from a mini board. Concerned questions at the meeting were bluntly not answered. People were moving to Waiheke because it was spray free. Now we get the worst spray from global multies by undemocratic board decisions. Who is ahead? Glyphosate isn't sold in EU shops because of negative health effects, not only to humans. Insects in Germany

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are only one-third of the population of 30 years ago. Save us from money sharks and their cooperating politicians.

**Werner Klopfer, Rocky Bay**

### Age discrimination

If Fullers' response to Gold Card or Hop Card holders is that they cannot be considered island residents because "you're free anyway" (letter in the last issue) then are we to assume that Fullers are now running a charity when elders use their services? I think not. Fullers are reimbursed for each journey by all of us tax payers (including elders). I would suggest that elders use of the ferry service has increased as a result of the introduction of these cards. That means increased traffic and revenue for Fullers. They have chosen to discriminate against the island's older population for their own convenience. It's time for us "oldies" to organise some form of protest. Perhaps we should join the residents' lane in our hundreds along with our zimmer frames.

**George Ryde, Onetangi**

### A cruel tale

Waru is possibly/probably the best New Zealand film ever made.

Personally, I have been wondering

since coming across the full list last year of names and pictures of all the children murdered by their own family in this country why so many identities are hidden?

These have never been revealed to the public. Why is that? What does it take to buy that level of privacy and privilege? It's obviously not to protect the identity of any remaining children as the recent case of Moko amongst others shows.

Why the double standard?

Every adult does themselves and the country a service by going to see this film.

We need to change our stories and behaviours around this indictment.

Waru is now showing at the Waiheke Community Cinema and features local talent Amber Curren.

**Heather Glover, Ostend**

### SKP update

SKP Inc, the group spearheading efforts to stop the Kennedy Point marina approved by Auckland Council is holding a public meeting this Sunday, 29 October at 2pm at the Ostend War Memorial Hall.

Public support is really needed for our fundraising drive towards the Environment Court appeal early next year.

**David Baigent, spokesperson**



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## Waiheke Island Summer Timetable 2017

Valid from 25 September 2017

### Auckland City to Waiheke Island

DEPARTING WYNARD WHARF	DEPARTING WAIHEKE ISLAND	TIME
<b>Departures Monday to Friday</b>		
6:50 AM (DG)	8:40 AM	80 MIN
10:30 AM	12:15 PM (DG)	80 MIN
2:15 PM	4:00 PM	80 MIN
	6:00 PM Fri only	60 MIN
7:30 PM Fri only	8:30 PM Fri only	60 MIN
<b>Departures Saturday, Sunday &amp; Public Holidays</b>		
10:15 AM	11:30 AM	60 MIN
1:15 PM	2:30 PM	60 MIN
1:50 PM Sun only	3:30 PM Sun only	80 MIN
4:15 PM	5:30 PM	60 MIN
5:00 PM Sun only	6:45 PM Sun only	80 MIN

(DG) Dangerous Goods Sailings bookings are essential

### Half Moon Bay to Waiheke Island

DEPARTING HALF MOON BAY	DEPARTING WAIHEKE ISLAND	TIME
<b>Departures Monday to Friday</b>		
5:00 AM (DG)	6:00 AM	45 MIN
6:00 AM	7:00 AM	45 MIN
6:00 AM	7:30 AM (DG)	60 MIN
7:00 AM	8:00 AM	45 MIN
8:00 AM	9:00 AM	45 MIN
9:00 AM	10:30 AM	60 MIN
10:00 AM	11:00 AM	45 MIN
12:00 PM	1:30 PM	60 MIN
2:00 PM	3:00 PM	45 MIN
3:00 PM	4:30 PM	60 MIN
4:00 PM	5:00 PM	45 MIN
5:00 PM	6:00 PM Mon-Thurs	45 MIN
6:00 PM	7:00 PM	45 MIN
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