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A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS ISSUE!!

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## Instant Finance – Fresh New Premises

Instant Finance has been a trusted presence in Panmure for 20 years, supporting local families with accessible lending and genuine customer care. This year marks an exciting milestone as the team moves into new premises—a space designed with comfort and connection in mind.

The move took three busy months, from signing the lease to completing renovations and settling in. The result is a brighter, more welcoming office that creates a positive environment for staff

and customers alike. Branch Manager Fololini shared that the new layout was thoughtfully planned to offer greater privacy, giving customers confidence to discuss their financial plans.

Instant Finance continues to provide a range of popular services tailored to everyday needs. Their Personal Loans make it simple to access funds from \$500 to \$50,000, with flexible repayment options and friendly support from real people. For those preparing for Life Events—from weddings to urgent family expenses—their

fast approvals and personalised approach help reduce stress during important moments. Their Debt Consolidation Loans allow customers to bring multiple debts together into one repayment, making it easier to stay on track. And with Home Improvement Loans, customers can finance renovations, new furniture, or household upgrades to add value and comfort to their homes.

Instant Finance's fresh new space reflects their ongoing commitment to serve Panmure with care, clarity, and warmth.

## TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

As the year comes to a close, it's wonderful to reflect on the success of our recent Christmas events. From the beautiful Christmas Tree Forest, to lighting up Panmure's very own Christmas Tree, and our festive Christmas Bash, it was heartwarming to see so many families, local organisations, and visitors come together as a community to celebrate the season. Your participation helped create a joyful, welcoming atmosphere that truly captured the spirit of Panmure.

Special thanks go to the staff, helpers, and vendors who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure everything ran smoothly and safely. Your commitment made a real difference.

As many of you will know, next Thursday will be my last day with the Panmure Business Association. It has been a genuine honour and privilege to serve as your Town Manager over the past few years. I am deeply grateful for the

support, collaboration, and friendships I've experienced during my tenure.

I leave knowing that the PBA is in a strong position and that exciting opportunities and possibilities await. I wish all of our businesses, office team, and the wider community nothing but the very best for the future.

Please note, the PBA office will be closed for the holiday break **from 4pm Friday, 19th December 2025, reopening Monday, 19th January 2026.**

Thank you again to everyone who joined in our festive celebrations and thank you for allowing me the privilege to serve this wonderful community. Wishing you all a happy and safe holiday season!

*Elaine Soakai*  
Town Manager



## SECURITY UPDATE



The PBA is excited to confirm that our Summer Security Initiative will again be delivered over the upcoming holiday shutdown. This will be the second holiday period the PBA has provided this valuable service, following a highly successful trial last year.

The initiative includes enhanced foot and mobile patrols, CCTV monitoring, and after-hours support to help our business community and town visitors feel safe during our office shutdown period. This year, we are also looking to trial a few night-time patrols as a direct response to feedback that we received as part of our ongoing security activities, further strengthening our security coverage during this holiday period. We will be seeking feedback from members

early next year as part of our ongoing commitment to ensure all association activities deliver real impact and value. While the initiative provides a strong security presence, in cases of emergencies or serious incidents, members and visitors should always contact Police directly on 111. Our security initiatives are not a replacement for law enforcement. We hope that this initiative, alongside our other crime prevention activities, empower our businesses and wider community by providing a safer town centre.

*Taniela Haivelata*  
Security Liaison Officer

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## Panmure Twilight Tree Lighting Event 2025

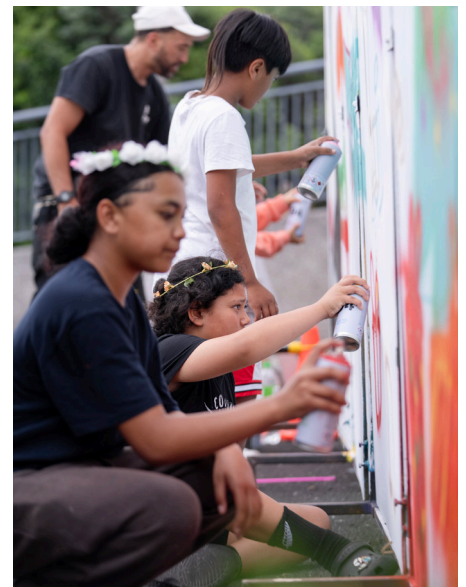
On 27th Nov, our Panmure Twilight Tree Lighting Event returned for its second year—and what an incredible evening it was! With the summer heat in full swing, we were delighted to hand out free soft serves to help our wonderful families cool down as they enjoyed the festivities.

One of the highlights of the night was giving away more than 600 treat packs, showcasing the delicious flavours of Panmure. Families sampled Lemon and Coconut Slice and Karamelo from **Golden Steak**; Marshmallow Ice-Cream Cones and Christmas Tree Cookies from **Baker Express**; Tomato Cheese Muffins and Spinach & Chive Scones from **Mr. Banh Mi Cafe**; Caramel Bars from **Heis Kitchen**; and refreshing Strawberry and Taro Milk Tea from **Soul Sweet**. We also gifted beautiful flower crowns from **Golden Apple**.



To encourage community engagement, we also gave away a hundred Christmas lighting sets to everyone who shared their ideas and visions for Panmure. It was heartwarming to see so many people contribute their thoughts toward the future of our town centre.

Live music filled the air, setting the perfect atmosphere for a relaxed evening. Children enjoyed big outdoor games with their parents and friends, filling the space with smiles and laughter. Free face painting added extra colour to the event, while **The Good The Bad Art Studio** inspired creativity with their interactive graffiti wall.

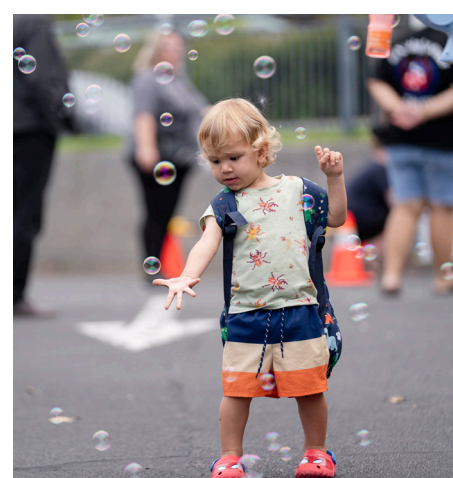


A special thank you goes to the **Auckland Urban Development Office** for helping fund and support this event, helping us make it bigger and better for the community.

The night ended on a magical note as the Panmure Christmas Tree lit up at 8:15 pm, shining brightly for all to enjoy. Be sure to visit, and experience the festive spirit throughout the holiday season in Panmure!



## HIGHLIGHTS FROM TWILIGHT TREE LIGHTING





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## Celebrating Our Local Church Volunteers: A Community Effort That Made a Real Difference

**A**s we wrap up another year in Panmure, we want to extend a warm thank you to the members of our local Streams Church, who recently volunteered their time to help clean up our town centre. Their hard work along the main street and Dunlop Lane made a noticeable difference, clearing rubbish and loose debris to help refresh our streetscapes.

Their contribution not only helped create a cleaner and more welcoming environment

for businesses and visitors but also highlighted the strength of community spirit in Panmure.

We know everyone has busy schedules, and we truly appreciate the time and energy these volunteers dedicated to improving our neighbourhood. Thanks to their efforts, we finish the year with tidier streets and a renewed sense of connection.

To our church volunteers- thank you. Your kindness and service have not gone unnoticed, and we are deeply grateful.



### Fighting Moth Plant with Pest Free Tāmaki

**M**oth plant (*Araujia hortorum*) is one of the most aggressive weeds spreading across Tāmaki Makaurau. Its fast-growing vines smother native plants, and each seed pod can release hundreds of wind-blown seeds. Because of this, controlling moth plant is essential to protecting our local environment and the biodiversity that makes our community special.

Groups like Pest Free Tāmaki and volunteers from the Society Totally Against

Moth Plant (S.T.A.M.P) are leading the charge. They help residents identify moth plant, organise weed-pulling events, and map infestations across neighbourhoods. Community clean-ups and local competitions also make a big difference, stopping thousands of pods from spreading into our reserves, parks and backyards.

Removing moth plant is simple but needs care. Always wear gloves, cut vines low to the ground, dig out roots where possible, and securely bag pods before disposal.

If you see moth plant in your street or garden, taking action quickly prevents it from taking over and supports the wider Pest Free movement happening across Auckland.

If you can't pull it out – give us a shout!  
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# Panmure Christmas Bash 2025: A Day of Festive Fun for Everyone



The Panmure Christmas Bash on 6 December 2025 brought the community together for a joyful day packed with free family fun. As a 100% free event, it offered something for everyone – from sizzling sausages and refreshing ice cream to exciting games, colourful face painting, balloon art, kids’ Christmas crafts, and even free family Santa photos complete with a beautiful printed copy to take home.

A special thank you goes to the Auckland Urban Development Office, who generously sponsored the sausage sizzle, helping us serve hundreds of hot, tasty sausages throughout the day.

This year, the event was made even more special with the support of CNNSST, who delivered a range of engaging cultural activities, including a Hanfu dressing corner, a Dragon’s Beard Candy demonstration with tastings, and traditional Chinese calligraphy. Their presence added a lively cultural flair that delighted visitors of all ages.



We also extend our thanks to Potter’s House, whose live Christmas music filled the space with festive cheer and created a warm, celebratory atmosphere throughout the day.

Adding even more festive spirit, 20 beautifully decorated Christmas trees—created by our local businesses and community groups—were proudly displayed at the event. These trees will be donated to families in need, helping bring joy and warmth to their holiday celebrations.

A major highlight was the Scavenger Hunt, which introduced our brand-new Gacha prize machine. Everyone who completed the hunt – regardless of age – had the chance to draw a prize, ranging from cute Christmas goodies to a generous \$100 voucher to spend in the Panmure town centre during the holiday season.

This year’s Colouring Challenge was also a standout success, with six talented young winners sharing a fantastic \$1,000 worth of vouchers.

The 2025 Panmure Christmas Bash was truly a celebration of community spirit, creativity, and festive joy – and we can’t wait to make next year even bigger and brighter.





## HIGHLIGHTS FROM PANMURE CHRISTMAS BASH

