



## Glen Innes Business Association - Annual Report 2022

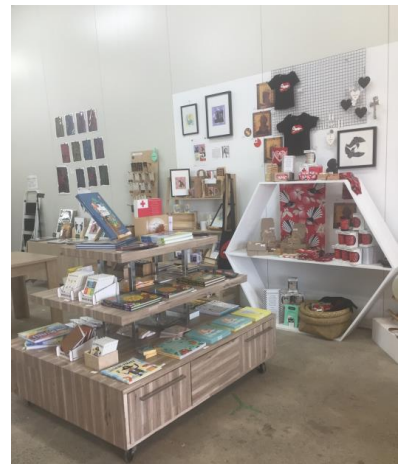
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While the early part of the past year had once again been disrupted by Covid 19, it is great to be finally operating without Covid-19 trading and masking restrictions. Feedback from businesses is that trading is returning to normal levels and that customers appear much happier to be able to shop freely, and in a more leisurely fashion.

We were delighted to be able to support the Matariki Light Trail once again this year and this year's event was probably the best run yet with thousands attending during the week-long event and for the final Fireworks finale. Thank you to Tamaki Regeneration Company (TRC) and Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board for continuing to support our signature events.

We welcomed several new businesses to Glen Innes including:

- 99 Bikes
- Yummy Roasts.
- Celebrate Aotearoa Gift Shop (pictured right)



Businesses which have closed include:

- Glen Innes Health Centre
- Premium Rattan Furniture
- NZ Law Station
- Cyber Spot
- Kiwi Bank
- TopNet Internet Café.

Business changes include:

- Total Body Transformation Boot Camp which was sold and rebranded by the new owners to AscendFit.
- Moonlight Tattoo re-opened after nearly a year of closure.
- Nicola Johns Pharmacy has discontinued prescriptions and has rebranded to The Probiotics Store.
- Kebab Kitchen has sold and been rebranded to Daaku Kebab.
- Glen Innes Family Centre are moving into the building previously occupied by Glen Innes Health Centre



It is exciting to see some TRC related changes happening in Glen Innes including the pending opening of Glen Innes Everybody Eats on Line Rd and the redevelopment of Taniwha Reserve (photo on left)

133 Line Road has been completely renovated into a food court and was awaiting tenants, but is now undergoing more renovating to become 'Everybody Eats', a facility where people can eat and pay whatever they can. The upstairs area has been converted into an art studio.

The former university campus has been sold to developers and will be developed into 1500 residential apartments housing 6,000 people (the same as the population of Warkworth).

The apartment buildings include one 18 storeys high. Also intended is a 7-level car park building. Please feel free to contact the GIBA office if you would like to see plans.

Our Pacific Warden, Lopeti Maupese, has continued to do a great job providing a security presence in the town centre each evening. Lopeti is very highly regarded by the retailers and also by our local Community Policing Team. Lopeti patrols Monday – Wednesday between 4pm and 8pm, and from 6pm-10pm on Thursday and Friday nights.

We have initiated a Security Forum, a group of about 20 including representatives from Glen Innes Police, Auckland Council, Auckland Transport, and security operators that work in the area, such as community patrols, Armourguard, Maori wardens and Pacific Wardens. The group meets once every two months and discusses all security related matters concerning Glen Innes only. We now have 36 CCTV cameras, and our ongoing plan is to continue to add to the network each year.

Our appreciation goes out to our key partners for their ongoing support – Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board, Tamaki Regeneration, and Auckland Council representatives who work with us on environmental services and public asset maintenance.

My thanks also to our 2021/2022 Committee:

- Clinton Hewett (Chair)
- Kristine Strathern (Treasurer)
- Cristian Anastasiu
- Linda Pearce
- Christine Walker
- Ranga Sumanasekera,
- Frank Wong
- Evonne Geluk (TRC)
- Peter McGlashan (Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board)

But we couldn't do everything we do without our operations team - Gary, Debbie, and Lopeti and I thank them for their hard work on the ground. It's also great to welcome Nia to the team in a support role for Debbie who we are pleased to report is now back to full health and in the office full-time.

**Clinton Hewett – Chair**  
Glen Innes Business Association