

Kapiti Historical Society- Street name and early dwellings Project

Some examples of how Kapiti streets and roads got their names. Taken from the data we have already gathered. *E&OE (errors and omissions excepted).* **
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Ames Street, Paekakariki. Named after early family. (source: M Perkins, 2001)

Brazier Grove, Paraparaumu. Named after the Brazier family. George Brazier was an old-time sailor and early Roadman in Kapiti. His house in Amohia Street still stand. His descendant, Jim Brazier and his son, David still live in Kapiti. (source: Jim Brazier , 2001).

Callender Terrace, Paraparaumu Beach. Named after the surveyor of the area, Callender, Truebridge & Beach. (source: Jim Brazier, 2001; and Mrs McGillnut(?) (nee Eatwell) quoted in Celebration History 1988).

Eatwell Avenue, Paraparaumu Beach. Named after the Eatwell family. Brothers Herbert and William who arrived in Kapiti in 1923, and sub-divided property in Raumati South and in Paraparaumu. (sources: Mrs McGillnut(?) (nee Eatwell), quoted in Celebration History 1988, and other family members).

Florence Way, private road in Sevenoaks complex, Paraparaumu Beach. Named after a daughter of the Cripps/Eatwell family. (source Janice Lopez, Nov 2001).

Hadfield Place, Paraparaumu Beach. Named after Rev Octavius Hadfield, who came to Kapiti in 1839 and built a church in 1843 near the Kene Kena pa. (Church foundations discovered when forming Mazengarb Road). A descendant Barry Hadfield is a former Mayor, and still lives in the area. (Historic plaque on site, and other sources 2001).

Howell Road, Paraparaumu Beach. Named after the Howell family, early settlers. William Bentinck Howell (named after the ship in which he was born on the way to NZ) settled in "Wharemakeu" a homestead next to the Wharemauku stream in 1879. This house was demolished in about 1949. The site is now 41 Alexander Road. (sources; Celebration History 1988 and KCDC Heritage register)

Maclean Street, Paraparaumu Beach. Named after Robert Gow Maclean (quoted in Celebration History 1988). Also said to be named after the Maclean brothers, Robert and Malcolm, who owned the land at Paraparaumu Beach, subdivided in the 1920's (source, Geoff Thompson, writing in the Celebration History, 1988).

Major Durie Place, Waikanae. Named after Major Durie, who was in charge of the Waikanae estuary police station in the 1850's. The road is close to the north side of the estuary. (source: Waikanae past and Present, Chris and Joan Maclean, 1988).

Malfroy Lane, Raumati Beach. The land was owned by Helen Malfroy Todd, so we presume the lane was named after her (source- certificate of title of property Martin & Alycen Kaiser, 1996)

Rosetta Road, Raumati South. Named after the ^{mother} wife of Mr Vickerman, the solicitor who handled the land transfers from residents to allow the formation of the access road. (source Joan Sherley from Vickerman family, and other sources 2002).

Sweetman Avenue, Paraparaumu Beach. Named after local owner of the land. (Mrs Gill-Nutt quoted in celebration History 1988).

Valley Road, Paraparaumu. Named after the valley route to Paekakariki, before the main road was formed in 1902. House "Dilkoosha", which was built in 1888 by W.T.L.Travers still exists. (source, Celebration History 1988, and photo Martin Kaiser 2002)

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