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## FOR ALL YOUR BUSINESS THROUGHOUT 2022

As we head into the busy holiday season, we have a few travel tips about how to ensure your trip and vehicle are hassle-free.

Before you head away, pop in and see us to get your pre-holiday service and safety check. Make sure your WOF, registration and road user charges are current and don't forget about the trailer. Get your tyres checked, pump up the spare and make sure the jack and tools are all there. The last place you want to be, is BROKEN DOWN on some remote road waiting for assistance or outside cell phone coverage.

If you find yourself in need of help during the summer period we are part of the Automotive Solutions Group network, which has 60 members and is rapidly growing. This means if you find yourself stuck or broken down in another part of New Zealand, there are other trusted group members that can help you get back on the road.

Call 0800 791 791 or visit our website [automotivesolutions.co.nz](http://automotivesolutions.co.nz) to find a trusted Automotive Solutions repairer near you.

We wish you all a very safe and happy holiday this Christmas and New Year.

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# VACATION OR STAYCATION?

## What are you up to for the summer break?

The culturally correct kiwi answer to this question is, of course, something along the lines of a chance to get away to a beach, or maybe a lake, to reconnect with the family and the dog, get out in the boat if you like that sort of thing, paddle boards, ride bikes, and the opportunity to wind down, chill out, burn a few sausages, have a few coldies, and live a little.

Sounds idyllic, but it is not what most people actually do.

So for three out of four of us, January summer holidays may be spent at home.

During these 'STAYCATIONS', we do unfamiliar things in our familiar home environment.

It is a very active period for DIY projects, as people find time to get around to nagging maintenance jobs.

It is a time for entertaining, BBQs and making the most of your outdoor living spaces.

The summer season is also a time for micro-breaks such as day trips to the beach, or a picnic in the park, or a chance to get out to that native tree nursery you've been meaning to get to.

So whether you're planning a staycation or a getaway to your holiday home, we hope you enjoy a much-deserved break and look forward to catching you in 2023!



# CHRISTMAS TRIVIA

1. Which Christmas movie features Swirly Twirly Gumdrops and Candy Cane Forest?
2. In a famous Christmas song, what type of bird was in a pear tree?
3. What are the two most popular items placed on top of a Christmas tree?
4. Which famous fizzy drinks company was the first to use Santa Claus in its advertisements?
5. True or false: there is a town called Santa Claus?
6. Traditionally, what colour is Santa's sack?
7. 'Merry Christmas you filthy animal' is a quote from which popular movie?
8. How many doors would you open on an advent calendar before Christmas Day arrives?
9. Which Christmas song includes the lyrics: 'Dashing through the snow, in a one horse open sleigh'?
10. What three small words are the laughter of Father Christmas?
11. Where does Santa live?
12. What might you pull on Christmas Day:  
a) A balloon, b) A cracker, c) A muscle?
13. Which TV family has a pet dog called Santa's Little Helper?
14. Which fairy tale was the first gingerbread house inspired by?
15. In the famous Christmas song, what type of plant was Mummy kissing Santa Claus under?

ANSWERS: 1. Elf. 2. A partridge. 3. Star and angel. 4. Coca-cola. 5. True: Santa Claus is a town in Indiana in the United States. 6. Red. 7. Home Alone. 8. 24. 9. Jingle Bells. 10. Ho, Ho, Ho. 11. North Pole. 12. A Cracker. 13. The Simpsons. 14. Hansel and Gretel. 15. Mistletoe.



SUMMER RECIPE

## Barbecue Prawns with Lime



Recipe from [www.nzherald.co.nz](http://www.nzherald.co.nz)

### Ingredients

- 1 red chilli, chopped finely
- 1 Tbsp soy sauce
- 1 Tbsp grated fresh ginger
- 2 cloves garlic, crushed
- Zest and juice of 1 lemon
- 1 Tbsp brown sugar
- Salt and pepper
- 24 large raw prawns, tails on
- 8 bamboo skewers, soaked in cold water for 30 minutes
- Lemon or lime wedges to serve

### Instructions

Makes 8

1. Preheat barbecue to medium heat.
2. In a small bowl combine chilli, soy, ginger, garlic, lemon and brown sugar. Season with salt and pepper. Marinate the prawns for 30 minutes.
3. Thread 3 prawns on each skewer.
4. Cook skewers on the barbecue's open flame for 3 or 4 minutes each side. Remove and serve hot with a squeeze of lemon or lime.

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